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MARRIAGE

MRS. C. M. da CRUZ SEQUEIRA
extends her invitation to all
relatives and friends to the
wedding of her daughter,
Lydia, to Leonardo M.
Remedios at Rosary Church
at 3.00 p.m. on Wednesday
22nd June, and to the recep-
tion at the Club de Recreo.

BIRTH

GRIFFITHS—To Dorothea, wife
of Mr. P. J. Griffiths at Kow-
loon Hospital on Tuesday, the
7th June, 1949, a son.

OBITUARY

CHAN—At St. Theresa Hospital,
Kowloon, on Tuesday, June
7, 1949, Chan Leung Shiu Che,
wife of Admiral Chan Chak.
Funeral will take place at
Chun Wan Cemetery today
at 11.00 a.m.

TRUE COLOURS

As we have warned in
these columns before, for-
eigners who possess vast in-
terests on the China coast
are unwise to clutch at every
straw in the wind which
seems to indicate a beneficent
attitude by the Communists
towards alien concerns. Par-
ticularly since the occupa-
tion of Shanghai, one ob-
server after another has de-
duced from the restrained
actions of the troops and the
apparently broad-minded ap-
proach of the new regime
that all will be well—prob-
ably better than it was under
the Nationalists.

Perhaps the experts in
London and Hong Kong are
right, but we are still uncon-
vinced, and consider that in-
dications during the past few
days tend to reinforce the
argument that Communism
—whether Russian or Chinese
—is implacably opposed to
Western democracy and all
it stands for. This should
be clearly recognised in this
Colony, for while blind panic
is to be deplored, a smug
and utterly false sense of se-
curity is worse.

It always takes Commu-
nists a long time to react to
any given situation, especial-
ly in the way of comment,
but because their fanatical
minds are dulled by dogma
and they require a notice-
able period to frame suitable
replies for foreign consump-
tion, does not mean they are
a harmless adversary. For
instance, it has taken Mao &
Co. a long time to comment
on Hong Kong's ban on po-
litical organisations affiliated
to parties established outside
the Colony, but now, the
publicists are voluble.

The first approved remarks
were voiced in Hong Kong
itself, by the vernacular Wen
Wei Pao last week, when it
made a moderate attack
(after weeks of silence) on
the Societies' Ordinance.
Then, yesterday, came a
similar protest by Chinese
notables in Peking, obvious-
ly agreed to by the Reds.

Today you can read the
most serious development
here by the official Commu-
nist radio. It accuses the
Hong Kong authorities of
following an anti-Chinese
policy constituting "a chal-
lenge to the Chinese people
who are on the road to vic-
tory." This, it added, "will
certainly lead to grave con-
sequences."

The broadcast may be dis-
missed by our rulers as just
an ordinary example of Mos-
cow-inspired propaganda. It
has, however, more signifi-
cance than that. For one
thing, the Communists have
until now been silent on the
subject of Hong Kong, a for-

PART II: THE CONSCIENCE OF HIS PEOPLE
THE MINDSZENTY STORYThe Stalin Constitution
And Religious Freedom

BY THE VERY REV.
DR. NICHOLAS BOER

The Stalin Constitution does
not mean the freedom of
religion and of the mind in the
sense of European and Ameri-
can legislations—which mean
the free and public exercise of
religion—but in the Proleta-
rian-Bolshevik sense, namely,
the freedom of the individual
to practise religion or not to
practise it. Freedom in the
Soviet means freedom from all
dogmatic and moral ties; con-
sequently the freedom of the
conscience will be the greater
as the authority of the Church
diminishes.

This kind of religious free-
dom means no more than freedom
for religious cult and prayer, and
because religious bodies are not
legal persons, the Churches can-
not form charitable institutions or
religious organisations for cul-
tural, artistic, literary, etc., pur-
poses, nor can they teach religion.
It follows from article 124 that
Soviet legislation does not re-
cognise Canonical Law or any
church hierarchy; or, for that
matter, any difference between
Orthodoxy, Roman Catholicism,
Protestantism or Mohammedanism.

The Soviet Law recognises only
citizens who, with the permission
of the secular power, are allowed
to form "religious organisations"
and attend local religious meetings.
For this reason it would be in-
correct to look for words like
"diocese," "bishop," "church law"
in Soviet legislation. These terms
only appear in the interpretation
of the law, and are always
qualified with the adjective "so-
called"; thus we read "so-called
bishops," "so-called Church ad-
ministration," etc. This naturally
shows the complete supremacy of
the State over the Church, which
is achieved by legal obligation on
the part of the Church to ask for
permission. Let us take for ex-
ample a parish of one thousand
souls. The church building is the
property of the State. In order
that religious services may be held
in the church an application has
to be sent in by at least twenty
persons—first and foremost, the
workers. The conditions of this
contract are that the persons
would not get the permission—to
the local authority; then when the
permission is granted a contract
must be entered into in order that
the church building may be used
for worship. The conditions of
this contract are very rigorous
and, because the State does not
recognise any church hierarchy,
the congregation itself is com-

peign possession at least geo-
graphically part of China,
and which they might well
be expected to covet. Now,
in their first official po-
nouncement, they bitterly
accuse the Colony's govern-
ment of disrupting relations
with the "people's democ-
racies."

After the first reading of
the Societies' Ordinance, the
"China Mail" expressed
doubts that the measure
would serve any useful pur-
pose, as the Communists did
not possess an overt organi-
sation in the Colony, and
would just continue under-
ground activity as before.

We are not now criticising
the authorities for bringing
in this bill, except that it is
typical of the current atti-
tude. The Red broadcast
revived, in its own twisted
way, the debate of British
warships being involved in
the Yangtse fighting, and we
can only repeat that the
Naval directors of that en-
terprise were seriously at
error, and lost us more face
and goodwill in a few hours
than other blunders have
managed in years.

Yesterday we discussed
the probable consequences
of failing to start the local
population along the road of
self-government. That, how-
ever, is only one of the seri-
ous weaknesses of our ad-
ministration. Its members
may be successful in creat-
ing conditions whereby a
privileged minority can
achieve immense wealth, but
it is doing little to ensure
the retention of this Colony
by Britain.

the human will when it is her
duty to proclaim God's law with a
loud voice. They expect a Church
which breaks away from that firm
foundation, which it has been
built by Christ. They expect a
Church which does not take up an
attitude of opposition against the
suppression of conscience and
which does not defend the funda-
mental rights and the true liberty
of the people. They expect a
Church which remains in infamous
servitude within the walls of its
building and forgets the Godly
order of Christ: "Go ye therefore,
and teach all nations." (Matthew,
28, 19.)

It cannot be argued that the
Communist parties in every state
are trying to realise article 124 as
the main achievement of their
policy against the Church. It is,
however, very typical of the
classical Soviet policy that in the
U.S.S.R., as well as in the
various satellite and non-satellite
states, the Communists have
varied and accommodated their
methods by which they hope to
achieve this aim according to
time, place and possibilities. In
those European and American
states where the Communist Party
is not in power, the line of pro-
paganda is that in the Soviet
Union there is complete religious
freedom and that the relations of
the Church and State are friendly.

In countries like Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Albania and Hungary, where the Communist Party is in power, the line of propaganda is that in the Soviet Union there is complete religious freedom and that the relations of the Church and State are friendly. In countries like Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Albania and Hungary, where the Communist Party is in power, the line of propaganda is that in the Soviet Union there is complete religious freedom and that the relations of the Church and State are friendly. In countries like Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Albania and Hungary, where the Communist Party is in power, the line of propaganda is that in the Soviet Union there is complete religious freedom and that the relations of the Church and State are friendly.

In this connection, the war-
in which they tried to feature Car-
dinal Mindszenty as the enemy of
democracy is extremely significant.
The task was difficult as there had
been few men in many centuries
quite so popular in Hungary. The
authorities made Roman Catholic
youth movements, teachers and
schoolmasters, parish councils and
the employees of factories, gov-
ernment offices and business firms
sign protests against the Car-
dinal's "anti-democratic" and
"anti-Roman Catholic" attitude.
The Communists have long
recognised the old principle of
"divide and rule," and accordingly
they are trying to introduce the
principles of "class struggle" into
the ranks of the Church itself.
The history of the Orthodox
Church between 1918 and 1943
has shown many convincing proofs
of this principle. They have tried
to play off the bishops against the
highest Church authority, the
Pope. They have tried to play off
the poorer lower clergy against the
wealthier higher clergy, the pro-
gressive clergy against the con-
servative, and the secular priests
against the monks. Hungary has
had ample experience of this pro-
paganda activity. The Communists
tried to divide the unity of the
bishops and to create tactical
differences and disagreements, ar-
riving at the point of various
divisions. At the time of the nation-
alisation of the Church schools and
they tried to play off the religious
orders and Roman Catholic par-
ents against the bishops who had
refused permission for more to
be taught in Church schools. They
tried through subsidies to create
a "progressive" Catholic fraction
and newspaper. It was the joint
strength of mind and the high
sense of duty in the ranks of the
clergy that the Government failed
to achieve its purpose by these
means.

One of the principles of Com-
munist governments in liquidating
religions is to be careful not to
make martyrs of those they
victimise. They remember Tur-
kian's maxim, "Sanguis marty-
rum semen christianorum"—the
blood of the martyrs becomes the
seed of Christianity! It was the
history of the open warfare
against the Church in Russia be-
tween 1917-23 which made the
Communists remember this. They
realised that open persecution had
only strengthened faith and ad-
herence to the Church, to say
nothing of the dreadful story of
the persecution of the Church in
Spain after the Revolution. The Soviet
is in the policy for the new satellite
states, takes care not to persecute
the Church as such. The trials of

both Stepinac, Archbishop of
Agram, and Cardinal Mindszenty
are cases in point. Archbishop
Stepinac had been fighting for the
liberty of the Church in the West-
ern-European sense, yet the
charge on which he was tried was
strictly a political one. He was
accused of collaborating with Ante
Pavelich's Quisling Government;
in fact, of forcing the conversion
of the people of Bosnia-Herze-
govina and Croatia to Roman
Catholicism, of making propa-
ganda for Pavelich in the semi-
official newspaper of the diocese of
Agram, and of hiding the archives
of the Uspacha Government in the
archiepiscopal palace of Agram.
At the trial of Archbishop
Stepinac the Communists did not
yet make use of those "latest
technical and scientific discoveries"
(the quotation is from the Pope)
which were a feature of Cardinal
Mindszenty's trial, and therefore
world public opinion could see
easily and clearly from the Press
reports of Stepinac's trial itself
and from the official version
published afterwards that the
whole trial was an elaborate
smoke-screen in order to avoid
making a martyr of the Arch-
bishop.

Another Soviet method is to
assist and support less developed
and less organised religions in
order to weaken the stronger and
better-organised ones. In Hungary
one of the first activities of the
new Government was to wipe out
the difference between the so-
called "accepted" and "tolerated"
religions and to bolster up the less
prominent religious sects. (The
Evangelical Church in historic
Hungary had been an "accepted
Church," the Baptists a "tol-
erated" one.)

The story of the Churches in
Rumania, which so far had not
been ventilated in the Press of
Western Europe, is very typical
of this policy of playing off one
religion against the other. In 1948
the *Stato della Santa Sede* in 1948
reports that the Rumanian
United Church suffered a mortal
blow through the tyranny of the
Communist Government and of
the Russian Orthodox Church.
After reducing the number of the
dioceses from five to two and
eliminating four bishops, the
Government prevented the Greek
Catholic Church from all
religious activities. They per-
secute the Greek Catholic clergy
in order to force them to join the
Orthodox Church. Those who
have enough courage to resist
are either imprisoned or forced
to flee. The congregation is
compelled to sign declarations
giving their allegiance to the
Orthodox Church under the threat
of imprisonment, deportation, loss
of jobs and property. The property
and the church buildings of the
Catholic Church are handed over
to the Orthodox Church. All the
six Catholic bishops are at present
in prison awaiting trial.

(To Be Continued Tomorrow)

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chance it will never happen to you.

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Never in the history of refugee
governments will so many legisla-
tors have gone into exile and left
so few.

Acheson asked Vyshinsky to
dinner. Talk of the lion and the
lamb lay there together.

"This tiny but wonderful in-
vention, which rings like a full-
size alarm clock, has now been
named 'The Cricketer,' after the
small insect, which makes a lot of
noise."

Resemblance to any local player
is purely coincidental.

So Nimbus has won the Derby.
One dark cloud that had a silver
lining.

Four steps to greatness in
Filipino politics: Rat, Democrat,
Bureaucrat, Plutocrat.

"The Australian Wheat board
will deliver 2,500,000 bushels of
wheat to New Zealand between
June and December."

All right, we give up.

Friend of ours who has waited
weeks for his new spectacles
called on the optician yesterday
to protest.

"I shall go blind before these
glasses arrive," he said.

"If you do," replied the opti-
cian, "we will provide you with
a white stick."

There have been Sabbath riots
in Jerusalem caused by Jews
who would not let cars circulate
on the Jewish religious days.
When the police intervened they
realised that the day of rest had
become a day of arrest.

While we may not have a home
of our own yet we'll get a place in
the Sun yet....

If you find a household recipe
instead of a signature on some
of your dollar bills in future
don't worry. It'll just be the U.S.
first lady Treasurer getting a bit
absent minded.

They'd better start making
mine detectors standard equip-
ment on airliners, now two have
blown up in a week.

Primitivo Lovino is a new de-
legate to the International Labour
conference. But there's a lot of
the old Adam in him when it gets
down to monkeys.

A young couple asked the par-
son to marry them immediately
after the Sunday morning service.
When the time came, the minis-
ter rose to say: "Will those who
wish to be united in the holy
bonds of matrimony please come
forward?"

There was a considerable stir
as 14 women and one man ap-
proached the altar.



"That's the last time I'll travel
on the same boat as Stanley!"

RUSSIANS AND CHINA

"Big Brother" Policy Toward New Regime

MOLOTOV'S NEW JOB

Mr. V. M. Molotov is reported to have been given the task of bringing the Chinese Communists into line with Soviet Communism.

An Eastern European diplomat said that the former Soviet Foreign Minister and Premier has the task of shaping and implementing "big brother" policy toward the victoriously emerging Chinese regime. Western diplomatic sources said they had heard of such an arrangement though they could not confirm the report.

The reports, it is claimed, would dispel some of the mystery surrounding Mr. Molotov's position in Politburo politics since he was suddenly replaced by Mr. Andrei Y. Vyshinsky as Foreign Minister.

Mr. Molotov kept the title of Senior Deputy Premier under Joseph Stalin.

The scope of Mr. Molotov's job, the Eastern diplomat reported, would take in all the Far East, but he would concentrate first on an attempt to exploit the Chinese Communist triumph by winning up a thus far cool and wary relationship.

The Russian "big brother" attitude would be assumed in a country of more than 400,000,000 inhabitants, where the United States and Britain have played that sort of role in the past.

BRITONS LEAVE YUNNAN

Rangoon, June 7.

Sixteen British missionaries, three men and 13 women, together with 11 children, passed through Rangoon yesterday on their way to Britain.

They had been advised to leave their West China province of Yunnan near the border.

The British Consul at Kunming has advised men and women who have no essential business in Yunnan to leave because of widespread lawlessness in the province by the Communist "People's Army".

The Army has cut the road between Kunming and the rest of Yunnan.

The leader of the British party, who is a Methodist missionary, told the Associated Press that he and his party fled Chaotung, 300 miles North West of Kunming, after 500 Chinese soldiers attacked and besieged the city.

He said chaotic conditions reign in Yunnan, where two-thirds of the British remain.

Foreigners are liable to have their property confiscated but they were not harmed.

"It is apparent that the crisis is coming soon," he said.—Associated Press.

LEWIS SENTENCE SUSTAINED

Washington, June 6.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeal today sustained a contempt of court conviction against Mr. John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers for failing to call off a strike last year. The Court ordered Mr. Lewis and the Union to pay the fines, totalling \$142,000, imposed by the Federal District Judge, Mr. T. A. Aldrich, on April 20, 1948.

Mr. Lewis had refused to carry out a Court order to halt a strike over miners' pensions.—Reuter.

China Delegates At MRA Meeting

Caux-sur-Montreux, June 6.

Delegates from 10 Far Eastern and Pacific nations today pledged themselves at the World Assembly for Moral Re-Armament here to carry forward the fight to re-make the world through the superior ideology of moral change.

The delegates, who took the pledge before representatives of 21 other nations, came from India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Burma, China, Indonesia, Japan, Australia and New Zealand.

Mr. Krishna Parashad, Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs in the Indian Government, told the Assembly: "If anything can save this world, which is rent by strife, it is the spirit of Moral Re-Armament. May this Movement grow from strength to strength and may it achieve its purpose of uniting the world."

Then, one by one, the Eastern delegates stepped up to a large world map on the screen and planted in their respective countries' flags, inscribed "The Good Road."

The former Chinese Nationalist Premier, Mr. General Ho Ying-chin, and Dr. Chen Li-fu, Vice-President of the Legislative Yuan, were also represented.

Mr. Takasumi Mitsui, leader of the Japanese delegation, who has just returned from a visit to Berlin, said:

"Berlin opened my eyes and heart to the new dimensions of the changes that are needed. The leaders of Berlin know that we are living in an ideological age. Like the Germans, we in Japan now have a new Constitution, but most of us do not know how to work it and how to live it."

The Eastern delegates then sang the late Dr. Rabindranath Tagore's song "Jana Gana Mana"—Reuter.

SOONG SEES MR. ACHESON IN PARIS

Paris, June 7.

T. V. Soong, former Finance Minister of Nationalist China, has had a brief talk with the U.S. Secretary of State, Dean Acheson but nothing important was settled.

Dr. Soong, who is reputed to have some wealth in banks in Switzerland, has been ill in Versailles for several days with a stomach ailment.

He has told friends here that he expects to go to Aix-les-Bains for the "cure."

Dr. Soong was at the same lunch party a week ago in Versailles at which Mr. Acheson was a guest. They shook hands, spoke briefly in the presence of others and parted.

From American quarters it was indicated that Dr. Soong had had similar informal chats which various other representatives of the Western Powers whose Ministers are in conference here.

It is indicated, however, that a certain reticence had been observed in conferences because of the changed situation in China.—Associated Press.

Stromboli Again In Eruption

Palermo, June 6.

The volcano Stromboli is reported in eruption tonight with copious streams of lava flowing towards the sea amid clouds of steam. Explosions inside the volcano were heard during the afternoon.

The eruption was officially confirmed tonight from Messina and lava is reported to be flowing from the North West side of the Volcano. So far, it has not caused any grave danger.

Stromboli is a 3,038-foot volcano in the Lipari Islands, North of Sicily, and West of the West coast of Italy.

The volcano is always in a mild state of activity and is known to sailors as "the Light-house of the Mediterranean."

It last burst into life in September, 1946, when it threw out showers of ashes and cinders for some days, damaging crops and emitted a stream of lava, which flowed down the crater to the sea.

The film star, Ingrid Bergman, and her Italian film producer, Roberto Rossellini, who have been making a film called "After the Hurricane" on the island of Stromboli, left two days ago.—Reuter.

Truman-Stalin Meeting Rumours Denied In Paris

Paris, June 6.

A Truman-Stalin meeting has been discussed by Mr. Dean Acheson, U.S. Secretary of State, and Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, Russian Foreign Minister.

This is according to the weekly magazine "Paris Match," which said the meeting was discussed at a super-secret talk at a suburban restaurant.

This secret lunch, according to the magazine, occurred before the formal dinner Mr. Acheson gave for Mr. Vyshinsky last Saturday night at the residence of the American Ambassador.

The "Paris Match" said that the tele-a-tele lunch took place at a fashionable restaurant at Boulogne.

Mr. Vyshinsky had certain diplomatic secrets to tell Mr. Acheson, and certain ideas of Generalissimo Josef Stalin to deliver.

Among them, the magazine says, was the suggestion that President Truman and Stalin get together at a place which Stalin could reach without travelling by plane or boat.

It said that Mr. Acheson had informed Washington.

Michael McDermott, press delegation, said reports of such a secret lunch are not true.

Mr. McDermott said the only time Mr. Acheson has seen Mr. Vyshinsky except at the Council of Foreign Ministers' meetings, was at a dinner he gave for Mr. Vyshinsky last Saturday and at the dinner given to all of the Four Ministers by the French President.—United Press.

Minister Recants

Belgrade, June 6.

M. Vojko Ljubic, former Minister of Forests in the Yugoslav Republican Government of Bosnia-Herzegovina, who was arrested last year for being pro-Cominform, has recanted.

In a statement published here today he said: "After four months of thinking and deep analysis, I have changed my attitude completely, and am grateful to the party and the State security officials for not having allowed me to become a class enemy and a spy."

He had at first accepted the Cominform "standards" against Yugoslavia but realised that the leaders of the Soviet Union had a hostile attitude towards countries which want to construct Socialism.

"Thanks to the readiness of the party to help over the years, I have shinned, and thanks to the comradely attitude of the officials of the State security forces, it has been possible for me to correct my mistakes and start work again for the benefit of the people."—Reuter.

NEW ECA GRANT TO EUROPE

Washington, June 6.

The ECA today announced \$5,202,000 in recovery authorizations, bringing the cumulative total to \$5,633,100,000 after adjustments. The total authorizations by countries in dollar value with leading items:

Austria, \$75,000 all linseed oil.

Belgium and Luxembourg, \$1,077,000 entirely metal working machinery.

Denmark, \$73,000 all industrial machinery, including office machines and appliances.

France, \$2,095,000, including metal working machinery \$1,000,000 and miscellaneous manufactured commodities \$500,000.

The French zone of Germany, \$85,000 all land.

Greece, \$1,566,000, including electrical apparatus, scientific and professional instruments.

Ireland, \$207,000 all soybean oil.

The Netherlands, \$34,000 iron and steel manufactures and motor vehicles and parts.

The United Kingdom, \$80,000 entirely dried or frozen eggs.—United Press.

AIR CRASH KILLS 22

Athens, June 6.

A DC-3 aircraft, with 13 passengers and a crew of four, crashed in the Malakassa area North East of Athens tonight. All aboard are dead.

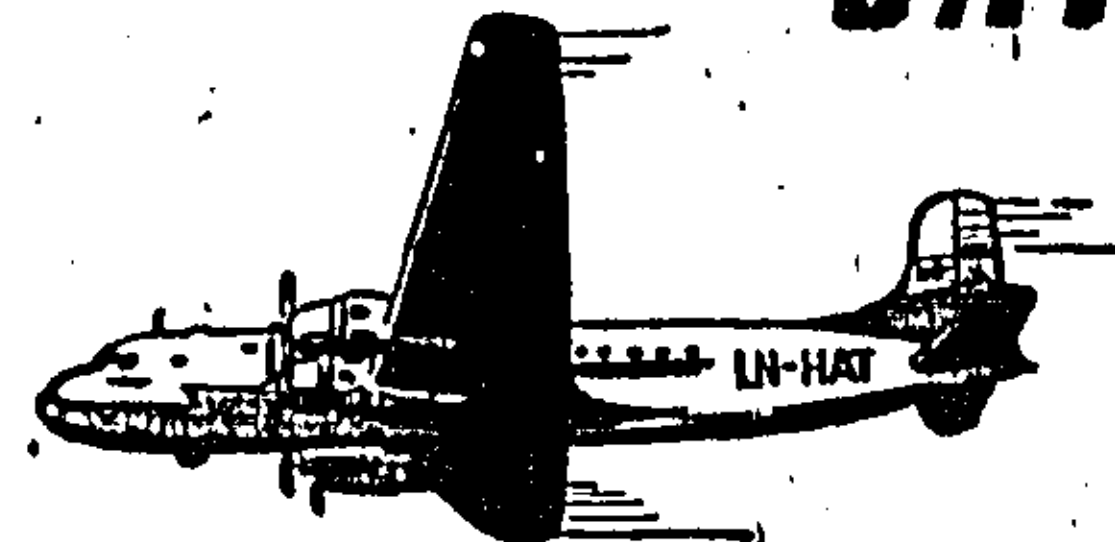
The plane caught fire. Rescue parties reaching the spot were unable to approach the still blazing wreckage.

An earlier report stated that a Greek passenger plane was seen ablaze over Mount Hymettus, East of Athens. According to this report, it crashed with 30 passengers.

The plane was flying from Kavalla, in Eastern Macedonia, to Athens, a distance of about 200 miles.

Officials of the airline suspect sabotage.—Reuter.

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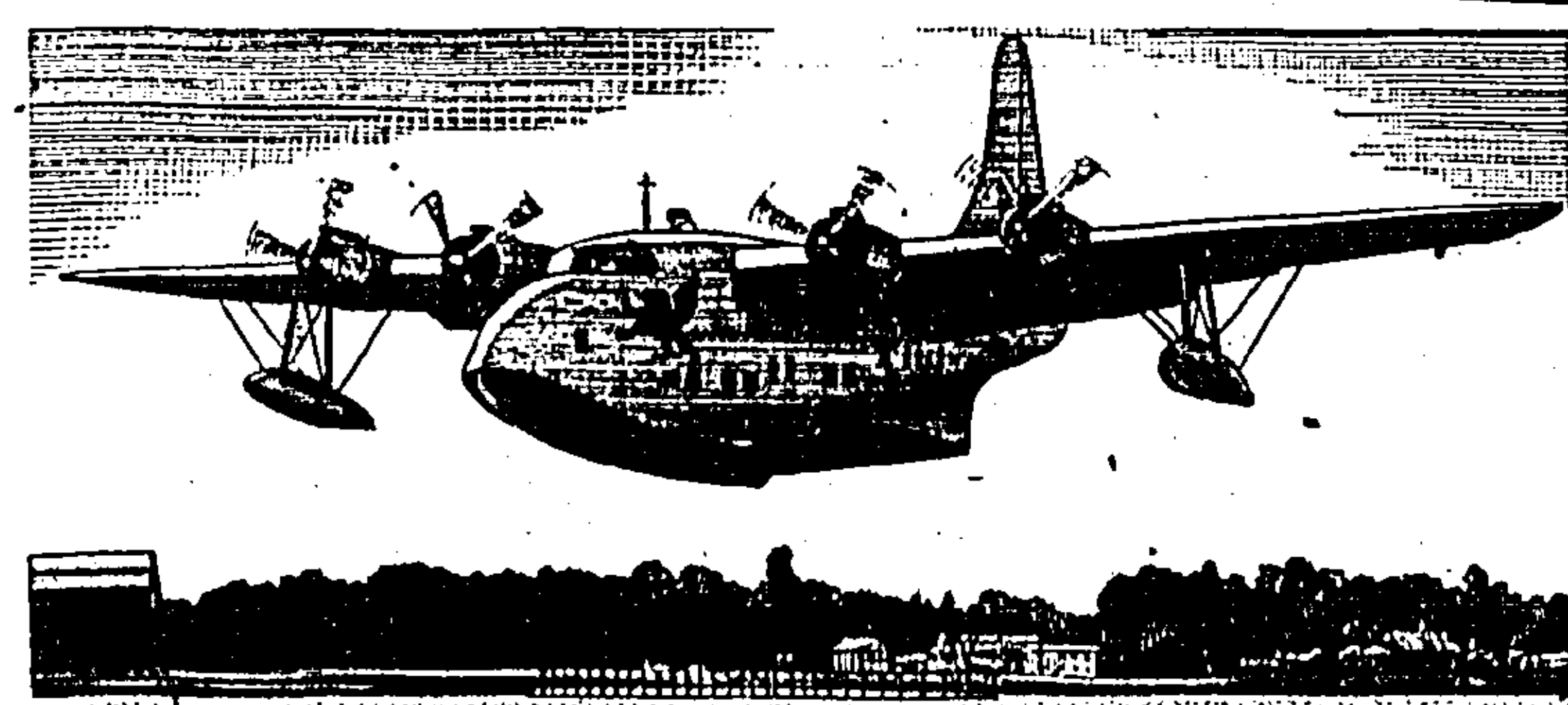
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Woman Today

Lingerie and old lace

by **IRIS ASHLEY**

Drawing by
FRANCIS MARSHALL

One of the biggest parades of the past Fashion Fort night in London was given by the corsetry and underwear manufacturers.

To me, one of the most exciting features was the return of lace for underwear. D. W. Davies designed the glamorous cami-knickers you see here.

The negligee to match is part of a three-piece outfit in pink or blue silk and ecru lace, which, with the matching nightgown (not drawn here), would be lovely for a troupe. The nightgown which you see was something to dream about. Designed by Jackson, it has one shoulder-strap of satin applique flowers and one of lace.

It is embroidered with hemstitching, too, and made of deep coffee-coloured lace and pale pink crepe de Chine of finest quality. This is the sort of thing we used to think could be found only in Paris. They are being made here in some quantity for the home market. (Even if I can't afford one—hooray!)

The little "Roini" pantie is a find for the teenager who needs no girdle but must keep her stockings up. They are made of Milanese silk in several colours, easy to wash, and very reasonably priced.

There were all shapes and styles of brassieres and corsets and two-way-stretch girdles for the larger as well as smaller figures. Nearly all the girdles marked the need for a trim waistline by a band either of the "Sta-up" patent boning or a "Rubenised" top.

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How Madame Paris Gets Along

BY **MARIE ALIX LAMOTTE**

Madame Durand is hurt. I've tried to explain that Britain's housewives have an unflinching struggle to make do on their home rations and can't take in another mouth to feed.

But that piece of news in her Paris paper that the British refuse to receive French children in England, while British children come to France, has upset Madame Durand. She is not convinced that there are not some remaining enemies of the Hundred Years War between the two countries. And Madame Durand is no exceptional personality. She's an ordinary, sensible French mother and housewife.

Thirty-seven-year-old Louise Durand (she married bank cashier Jacques Durand, when she was 23) has two children—13-year-old Jean and Francine, who is 10.

The Durands live in a four-room flat and pay an annual rent of 7000 francs—a bit less than £7—but under the new rent law this is going to rise to £21 a year by 1952. The Durands think this rent rise is scandalous!

Louise spends about four hours a day in her kitchen (the whole family is "gourmande") and like all French housewives she detests tinned food.

Thus she refuses to use ready-prepared tinned soups, and grinds her own coffee. And she uses a rolled-up rag to do the washing up—because her grandmother and mother used one.

Madame Durand, in fact, is full of suspicion for "novelties". Certainly, she admires enormously those shiny American electric gadgets—the idea of a washing machine leaves her dreaming.

But if you proposed an electric cooker to her she'd tell you frankly she prefers gas.

"You can regulate the flame according to what you're cooking and, anyway, gas costs less," she says.

Linen Cupboard

As European housewives go, Madame Durand is one whose linen cupboard is among the

best-stocked. She has 12 pairs of sheets, 18 pillowcases, 48 towels, 48 dusters and an infinity of table napkins. Her personal linen includes four nightgowns and five petticoats. Every year she herself makes and embroiders at least one piece of linen.

But Madame Durand spends little money on herself. Yet she always finds a way to be stylish and well-dressed. She does this by buying lengths of dress materials at the remnant sales of the big shops and cutting it herself from easy-to-make patterns.

Occasionally she takes the material to a shop which will cut and tack it for her for a modest price. Then she has only to sew it together. Madame Durand mistrusts made-up dresses. She has a horror of looking like the neighbour.

With the majority of Frenchwomen, Madame Durand knits a great deal for "her men"—husband and son. Almost any day you see her in the Metro (tube) busily bent over her needles.

On the other hand, she hasn't much time for reading—certainly not for love stories. Before she married she was fond of swimming and hockey, but has since abandoned sport without regret. She cares nothing for horse-racing, and rugby or football matches leave her totally indifferent.

Each week Louise Durand goes to meetings where she sews and chats with her friends. She is generally something of a gossip, indiscreet, "criticises too easily" and is too much concerned with the private life of others. She is severely critical of the loose spending and untidiness of her neighbours' homes.

She talks most about her friends, then, love, the cinema, children, politics and cooking recipes.

Louise is superstitious, has the cards read by her concierge or a fortune-teller.

She has two permanent waves a year, washes her hair herself at home (and puts it in curlers), and goes to the hairdresser when she has an evening out approaching.

At the beginning of each month her husband hands over the better part of his salary, and Louise is the veritable Minister of Finance of the household.

Separate Packets

She divides the household money into separate packets which she puts carefully into little envelopes—one each for the rent, gas, electricity, food, laundry, children's school, taxes, insurance, chemist, doctor, holidays, etc.

Then there's an envelope marked "Reserve", into which she forces herself to put what is left over from the others each month. She feels as proud as a victorious general when she can put something into "Reserve". Besides, she has a horror of debts.

Louise Durand's husband in no way helps her about the house, and she finds it natural to wait on him. What she expects from him is his salary, that he should consult her about everything (and take her advice), and he notices her new hat (which he forgets to do too often) and that he stays as tender with her as in the first days of their marriage.

She allows him to go twice a week to the corner cafe to play billiards or a game of boliche. Louise has a tendency to become a domestic tyrant.

She is interested in politics and severely criticises the Government which cannot balance its budget, allows prices to soar fantastically and shows a bad example.

Her electoral duties she takes very seriously, votes generally for the Catholic party—MRF—which stands for morality, charity and order.

She has, in fact been disappointed. At the moment Louise is de Gaulle, but she fears that the return of General de Gaulle to power might bring street riots—which she detests above all else.

And her worries? The cost of living and how to make ends

meet. Then the sort of friends her son Jean is making, her husband's bronchitis and how not to put on weight, which is difficult when you're gourmande and a good cook.

Her pleasures? To entertain her family and that of her husband, for whom she prepared special little dishes and brings out the lace-bordered table-cloth. She complains that it gives her much extra work (which is true—but she's over-joyed).

She feels perfectly happy in the evenings when, in the dining room, her children do their homework or play, her husband smokes his pipe and complains about the new taxes the idiots of MPs have just voted, while she knits, the radio softly plays tunes to which nobody listens, but which, too, nobody can do without.

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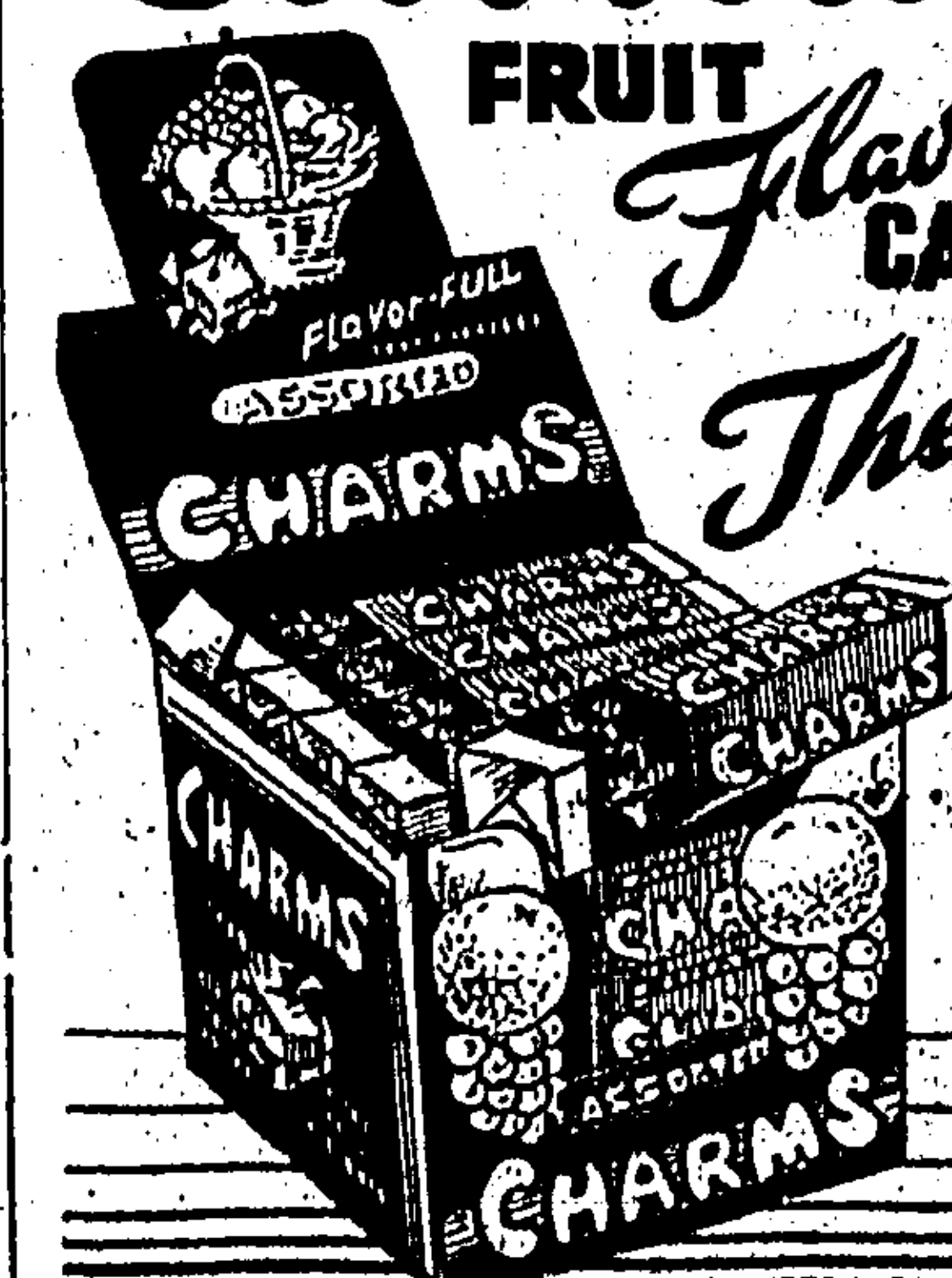
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BAD AUGURY IN THE BIG FOUR MEETINGS

NEGROES "CAPTURE" AFL HQ

New York, June 6. A group of Negroes invaded the offices of the American Federation of Labour's International Longshoremen's (dockers) Association today and took over the headquarters.

Mr. Joseph P. Ryan, the union president, said that there are 30 in the office and that 65 or 70 others are downstairs and around the building.

He described the demonstration as Communist-inspired, and said that he had sent for the police.

A spokesman for the demonstrators, who said that he was speaking on the instructions of Mr. Ferdinand C. Smith, deposed several months ago as the International Secretary of the National Maritime Union, said the men are fighting "Jim-Crowism" (racial segregation).

The spokesman later said that the group plans to stay in the offices for 48 hours. A police inspector, after a conference with Mr. Ryan, said the police have no right to evict the Negroes.—Reuter.

LEGION FOR INDO-CHINA

Oran, June 6. Two thousand men of the French Foreign Legion left here today for Indo-China on the steamers Oyonnax and Marechal Joffre.

A further 800 men will be embarked at Bizerte.—Reuter.

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The "Big Four" Foreign Ministers, having failed in three successive secret sessions to make progress on the Berlin problem, tonight decided that they will release the details of tomorrow's session.

Today's meeting lasted two and a half hours and was the third secret session of the current Foreign Ministers' meetings.

At today's session, the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, is believed to have presented detailed proposals for the administration of the German capital.

He had explained these earlier to Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Secretary, and Mr. Robert Schuman, French Foreign Minister.

The decision to revert to a plenary session of the Council tomorrow is seen by conference observers tonight as a bad augury.

They recall that the United States delegation has never liked secret sessions unless they produced quick signs of breaking a deadlock.

There is no suggestion that the restricted discussions on Berlin administration have done that. Consequently, observers conclude, tomorrow's meeting will have to record in public the failure to find common ground on the Berlin question.

Among Western officials there is no suggestion that Mr. Acheson's detailed proposals submitted to the Council today departed in any important measure from the

U.S. Negro Renounces Citizenship

Prague, June 6. The United States Embassy reported today that last Friday a middle-aged American Negro named James Miller Robinson, said to be from Chicago, visited the U.S. Consulate here, threw down his passport, and left a letter renouncing his American citizenship.

The United States Embassy has no Prague address for Robinson and is trying to reach him to explain that "he just couldn't do it that way." The Embassy explained that Robinson would have to repeat his action, by revisiting the Consulate and formally swearing himself out of his citizenship.

Robinson's letter said that he is only a second class citizen of the United States and wants to become a Czech citizen. His decision is linked here with the visit to Prague of the Negro singer, Paul Robeson, who was honoured at the Czech Communist Party's ninth Congress recently, and who sang and spoke at Prague public functions.—Reuter.

New Polish Exile Body

London, June 6. M. Tytus Filipowicz, former Polish Ambassador to the United States, was unanimously elected chairman of a new Polish Parliamentary body, inaugurated in London today by August Zaleski, the Polish President-in-exile, in the presence of 40 members.

The new body, to be known as the Polish National Council, consists of representatives of the National Democrats, Socialists and Christian Democrats, but room has been reserved for the Polish Peasant Party delegates to join later.

The first session was attended by the members of the Polish Government-in-exile, headed by Mr. T. Tomaszewski (Socialist), who said it will continue the struggle for the restoration of a free, democratic and independent Poland.—Reuter.

EX-HK GOC

London, June 6. Lieutenant-General George W. E. J. Erskine, General Officer Commanding British troops in Egypt and the Mediterranean, left London by air tonight after attending the recent British War Office exercise in civil defence.

General Erskine is a former GOC, Hong Kong.—Reuter.

Anti-Lynching Bill In U.S.

Washington, June 6. An anti-lynching bill, carrying a maximum penalty of 20 years imprisonment or a \$10,000 fine, or both, for conspiracy to incite, aid or commit a lynching, was approved today by the Judiciary Committee.

It also provides for five years imprisonment and a \$5,000 fine for any law officer who wilfully fails or refuses to protect people against lynching.

The next of kin of a person lynched will be entitled to file civil damages against the lynchers. This is the first bill in President Truman's Civil Rights legislation to be approved by a Senate Committee during this session of Congress.—Reuter.

BATTERY AFFAIR PROTEST

Washington, June 6. The Polish Ambassador, M. Josef Winiewicz, today complained to the State Department against the methods used by the United States immigration authorities during their week-end investigation of the Polish liner Battery.

After conferring with the Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Rusk, the Ambassador told reporters that crew members and passengers of the Battery had been subjected to inconveniences. He said he had filed reservations against methods applied in the investigation and expressed his concern that the passengers, Captain and crew should have been subjected to such inconveniences.

His discussion with Mr. Rusk was not a formal protest but was conducted in light of his statement on Saturday, when he said the Polish government would use all legal means to combat all unjustified or illegal action in connection with the Battery investigation.

The Battery sailed today after her crew had been cleared of implication in the escape from the United States of the German-born Communist, Gerhart Eisler. Investigations of the crew and passengers had been going on since the Battery docked last Saturday.—United Press and Reuter.

IMMIGRANTS ALLOWED OFF

Melbourne, June 6. Some of the 856 British immigrants quarantined aboard the 21,000 ton liner Mooltan, are to be allowed ashore after petitioning the captain.

The passengers complained that they had been cooped up since Colombo because of suspected smallpox aboard.

The Health Minister, Mr. Edward John McKenna, said in Canberra today that passengers with smallpox vaccination certificates can land in Melbourne, subject to constant surveillance. Those for Sydney and Brisbane have been confined to the ship since an eight-year-old child, Janet Welch, was landed at Fremantle as a smallpox suspect.—Reuter.



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U.S. PROTEST TO RUSSIANS OVER FREIGHT HOLD-UP

Berlin, June 6. A strong protest against the holding up in the Soviet zone of freight trains on their way from Western Germany to Berlin was made today.

It was sent by Mr. Lawrence Wilkinson, economic advisor to the United States Military Governor, to Major-General Kvashnin, head of the Soviet Military Administration's transport division.

About 40 freight trains from Western Germany are standing on the Helmstedt-Berlin line as the result of the West Berlin railway strike and the Soviet-controlled Berlin Railway Administration's refusal to let the strikers drive on and unload all freight trains from the West.

Mr. Wilkinson's letter to General Kvashnin read as follows:

"As you are no doubt well aware, a large number of loaded trains consigned from the Western zones to the Western sectors of Berlin have been left standing for almost two weeks in the Soviet zone, and the Soviet zone Railway Administration is making no effort to send them into Berlin.

"In any country I would expect the railway authorities to make every possible effort to deliver the freight to destination, utilising alternative routes if those commonly used were for any reason not open.

"The failure of the Soviet railway authorities to make any effort to bring the trains from the Western zones into Berlin for unloading is all the more difficult to explain in the light of the New York agreement between our Governments since it clearly constitutes a failure to lift the restrictions on transport between Berlin and the Western zones.

"I must therefore insist that you give the necessary instructions to the railway authorities to ensure that the New York

Discrimination

"Since it is known that traffic from the Soviet zone is being brought into the Soviet sector of Berlin for unloading, the failure under present circumstances to accord similar treatment to the trains from the Western zones constitutes a discrimination, the effects of which violate the New York agreement."

Mr. Wilkinson said that the United States representative at the quadripartite trade and transport meeting in Berlin had informed his Soviet opposite number that any future agreement on inter-zonal trade between Western and Eastern Germany can not come into force before the Berlin railway strike is ended.

"Under these circumstances, while we are quite prepared to continue our efforts to develop a mutually acceptable agreement on trade and transport questions, we must make it very plain that the terms of such an agreement cannot come into effect as long as the Berlin railway strike continues," the United States representative stated.

Today's four-Power meeting held in the British sector of Berlin, did not complete its agenda and a further meeting will be held at the Soviet headquarters at Karlshorst on Wednesday.—Reuter.

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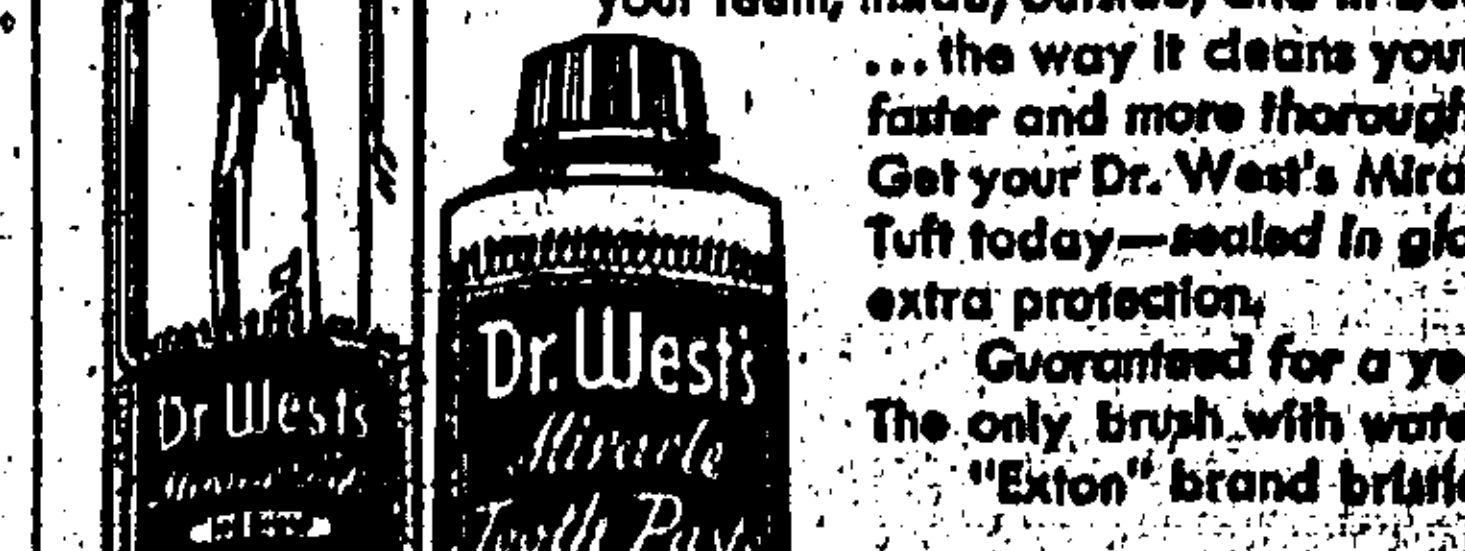
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Teen Time A Success

Teen Time, Rediffusion's half hour programme specially dedicated to teen-agers in the Colony had a successful inauguration last Friday when the first show, produced by The Wren, went through the air from the studios of Rediffusion. Three teen agers, all of whom are well known to the Topics, featured in the programme in which Celeste Guterres very kindly agreed to help out as MC.

They are Norma Stevens, Sheila Sequerra, and Kathy Boyes. Celeste Guterres did an excellent job as MC and helped considerably in putting the teen agers at ease. The teens were inclined to be a little shy but they soon overcame that.

Sheila's choice of The Maharajah turned out to be the most entertaining record of the session besides affording an interesting contrast by the humour of the choice.

Norma was the first to settle down and her friendly natural personality came over the microphone with extremely charming effect.

Norma's ambition incidentally, is to be a radio announcer one day. With what she had for the first effort, Norma certainly has a future in that line. Kathy was equally successful and Fifi, her birthday friend to whom she dedicated her record Balkin must have had quite a surprise.

The Topics have received many a congratulatory letter and message on behalf of the Wren who in collaboration with Mr. Frank Harris, of Rediffusion has made the programme for teen agers possible.

Teen Time is now definitely on each week on Friday beginning at nine o'clock for half an hour. The Wren, who is primarily responsible for the subjects of Teen Time has informed us of his plans which we think excellent and most practical.

He suggests that Teen Time should feature a programme similar to the one of last Friday, only twice a month.

The reason, is because teen agers are now in their final exam season. The Wren also thinks, and we agree with him, that Teen Time should have variety so that, whenever the half hour contains teen agers, these should be different people all the time.

As it will be difficult for us to contact teen agers to star in these programmes, we would appreciate it very much if all teen agers who are interested in taking part in the Teen Time half hour, will write in to the topics.

When writing in they should also give their addresses or means of contact. And if they could include the names of the records they would like played, that would also help a great deal. Their ideas, of course, of what else could be used and done during Teen Time, will be welcomed.

The Wren has informed us of his plans for the next two weeks. On Friday, Teen Time will be a session of some new records selected by teen agers themselves.

We shall not be giving any publicity to this particular programme because it is going to be a surprise one. However, get Maan and Dad to listen in and enjoy the surprise together.

The Friday following, there will be a programme similar to that of last week with some variations.

It has been suggested that we have Norma Stevens to act as MC this time and that she put queries to three teen aged boys.

The Topics recommend the boys to be Dave Engleton, Peter McRae and Alan Stevens. How about it boys?

PLATTER CHATTER

For the benefit of record buyers here is a list of the platters chosen by Sheila, Norma and Katherine for last Friday's Teen Time.

MY SHAWL—Xavier Ougat (Victor). HARLEM SANDMAN—Dinning Sisters (Capitol). BALLEERINA—Bing Crosby (Decca). SO IN LOVE—Gordon MacRae (Capitol). CUBA—Bing Crosby and Trudy Erwin (Decca). UNTIL—Tommy Dorsey (H.M.V.). THE MAHARAJAH OF MAGA—DOR—Vaughn Monroe & Ziggy Talent (Vic.). DADDY—Dinah Shore (Columbia). YOU WAS—Percy Lee and Dean Martin (Capitol).

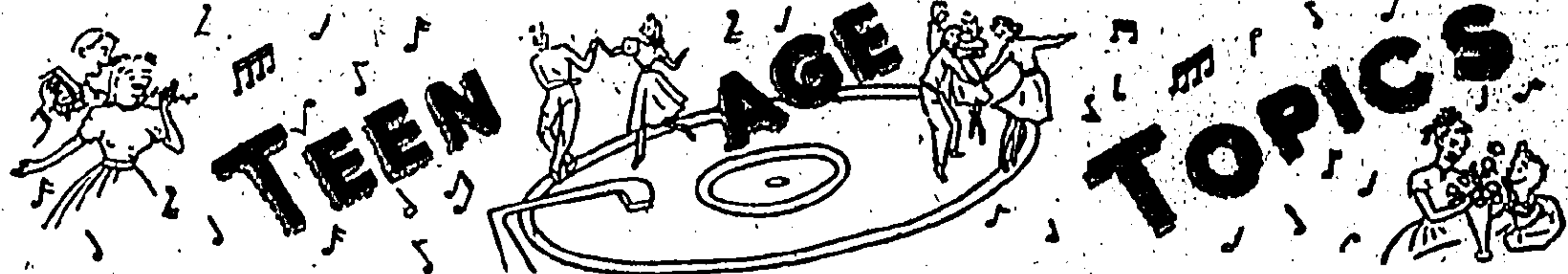
The new records have been a long time coming and of a flock of new melodies which are making the hit parade elsewhere, we have heard only a few tunes.

Hong Kong is certainly lagging far behind and from a list of 20 son tunes, I have been able to procure only two discs, namely, Galway Bay and Far Away Places. The latter is available on Decca by Bing and on Capitol by Margaret Whiting.

Among those we are not able to get are: Cruising Down the River, Forever and Ever, Careless Hands, Red Roses, for a Blue Lady, Sunflower, Need You, "A" You're Adorable, So Tired, Blue Skirt, Waltz, Riders in the Sky, You, You, You Are the One, I Don't See Me in Your Eyes Any more, Everywhere You Go, Again, Powder Your Face with Sunshine, Barroom Polka, Beautiful Eyes, It's Magic and On a Slow Boat to China.

Where the blame lies I do not know but some of these records have been on the sellers' lists for a long time in other places.

The stores here are filled with the latest gadgets and toys but try and ask for a hit record and the answer is invariably "Sold Out" or "Coming".



Personality

This week's teen ager frankly states that she doesn't care for jazz music nor for dancing. She is Freda da Silva, born in Hong Kong on April 16, 1930. Freda started and ended her schooling in the Maryknoll Convent School which she left in 1947.



FREDA DA SILVA.

after passing her school leaving. She is now a stenographer with BOAC.

Our personality girl is a quietly spoken lass whose interests are few.

About the only things that Freda likes to do in to play the piano, knit and mind kids. She is particularly fond of children.

Freda's taste in music is ex-

clusively classical and she prefers Chopin's music above all. Her reading matter like her music is also unusual. She chooses very little else to read except literature on religion and books on the biographies of saints.

Asked what her aversions were she replied: "Things that I don't like or do I am indifferent to, I have nothing against others that differ from me."

Weight up the merits or demerits of every single item so that you may economize on weight.

This applies particularly if you plan a week-end cycle camp. For instance, it's only necessary to take one small hand-axe and one entrenching tool for the whole patrol.

Cooking gear can be cut ruthlessly. Aluminium utensils are easier to carry than hefty patrol dikes. Water buckets, dish cloths, screw cap jars, tin openers are other items often duplicated.

Some personal items of kit, like soap, first-aid kit mending outfit, tooth paste and a shoe cleaning outfit can be shared.

However warm the weather may be never omit a woollen sweater for the cool of the evening. A change of underclothing is always advisable.

If you have a cape groundsheet there is no need to take a mac. These are the dodges you learn by experience.

Some tips for cyclist campers are: Never cycle wearing a rucksack—no pannier bags instead. If you haven't any make some from old Army packs. (It's dangerous to cycle on crowded roads carrying a loaded rucksack.)

Always carry vasoline to smear on parts of your cycle liable to rust if you leave your bike out in the open at night. Carry some light chains and a good padlock so that you can lock all your cycles together at night to prevent theft.

Scouting How

Before your patrol goes off on a week-end camp have a "rehearsal." Lay out all the equipment and gear and let the patrol discuss it in detail.

Holiday Message

Hello friends! This is your Editor speaking. I am writing all this from a comfortable retreat far out in Castle Peak.

You see, my boss has given me a two week holiday and I am spending it in the outdoors.

I came out here on Saturday and packed with me besides toilet articles, a week's supply of tinned food, I hope I will survive on them.

The first three days here has been fun. Swimming, hiking, rowing and plain basking in the sun.

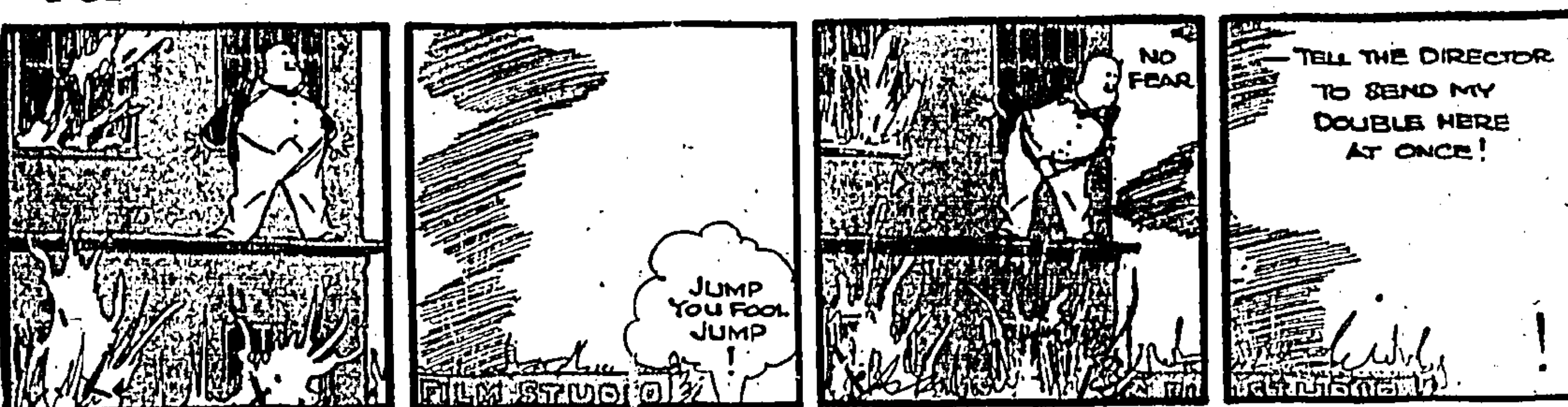
On my second night here, I befriended some villagers who suggested that I should try fishing at night. They hired me a small junk and at about 10 p.m. we set off and drifted for three hours.

But all I caught was a severe case of back ache.

I thought I had a whooper though once when I felt a heavy tug on my line. But my hook got stuck among the rocks and as I tried vainly to haul up my "whooper" I lost my hook as well and that ended my deep sea expedition for the time being.

The weather is glorious and the evening such as we do not find in town. When you get your holiday try this life, it's grand. See you next week.

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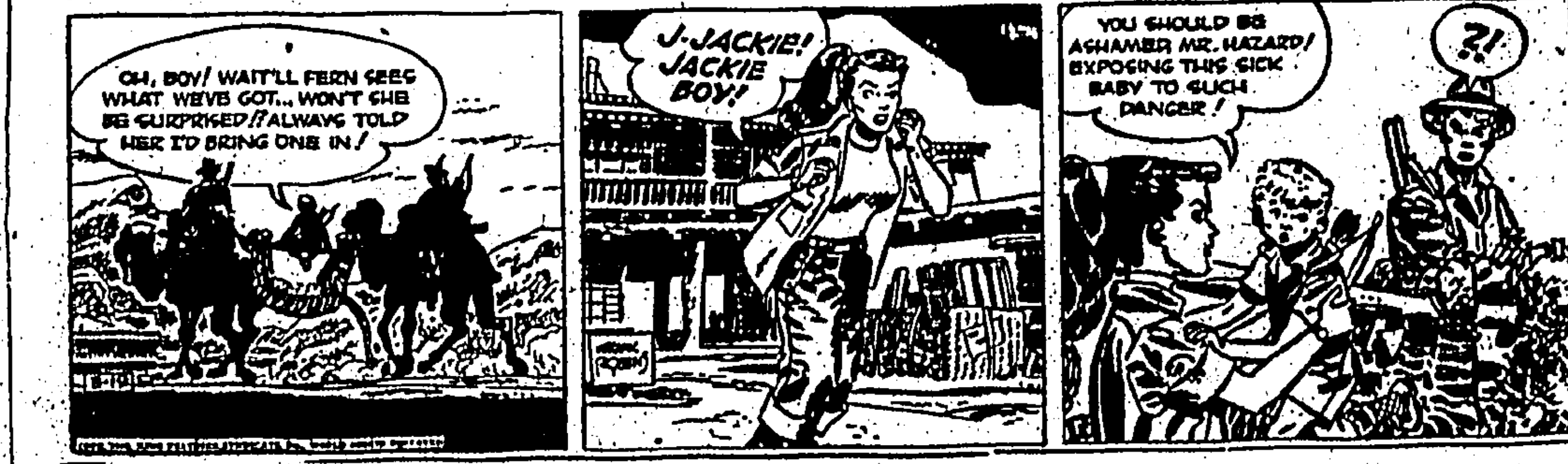
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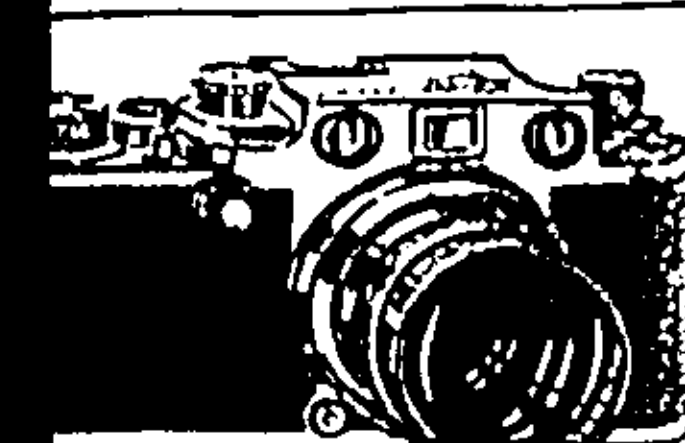
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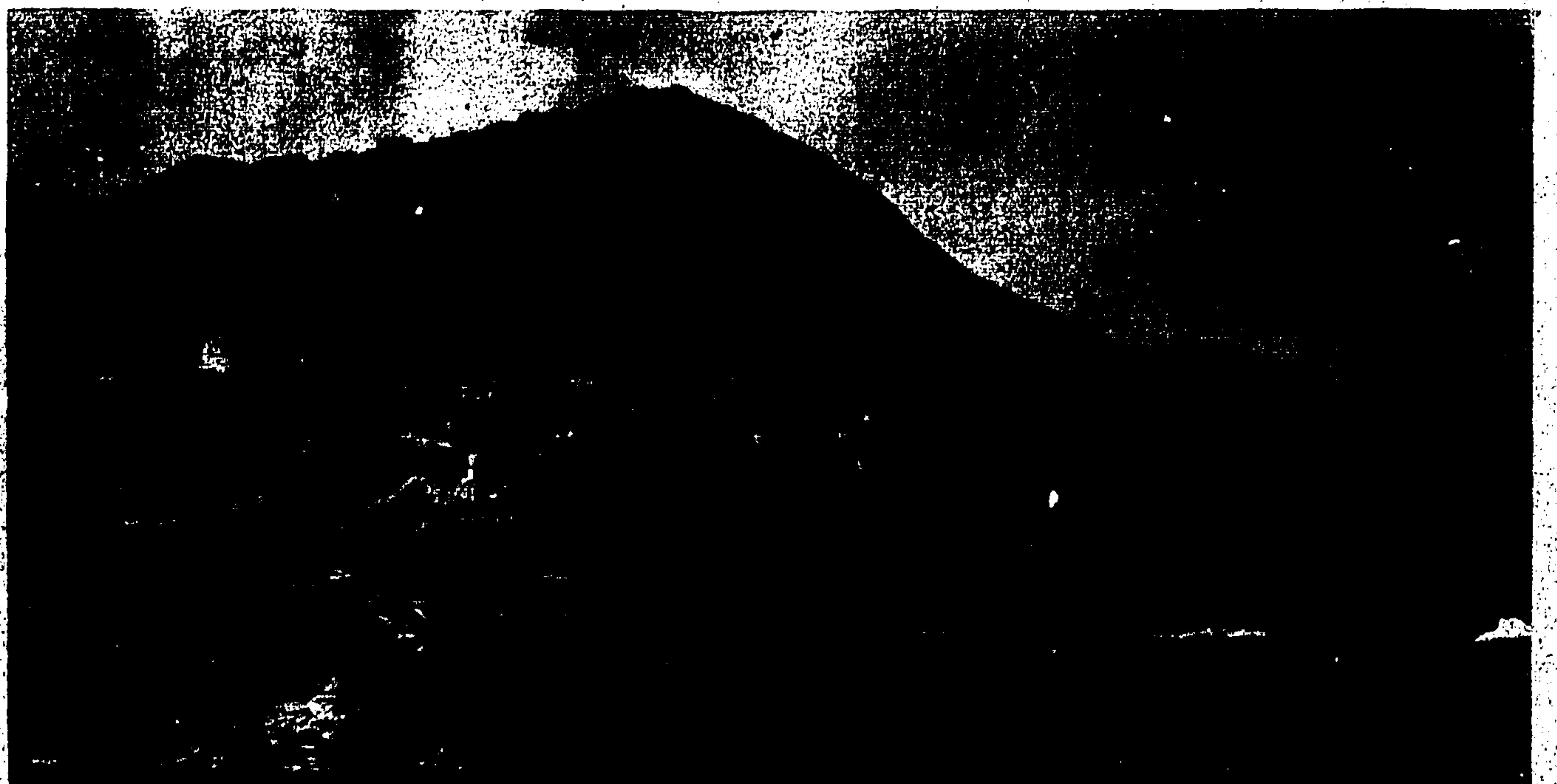
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A panorama of the Race Course at Happy Valley. The grounds inside the oval are used for cricket, rugby, soccer and hockey games. Below is the Island of Hong Kong showing the different types of harbour craft and a BOAC flying-boat in the air. ("China Mail" photo).

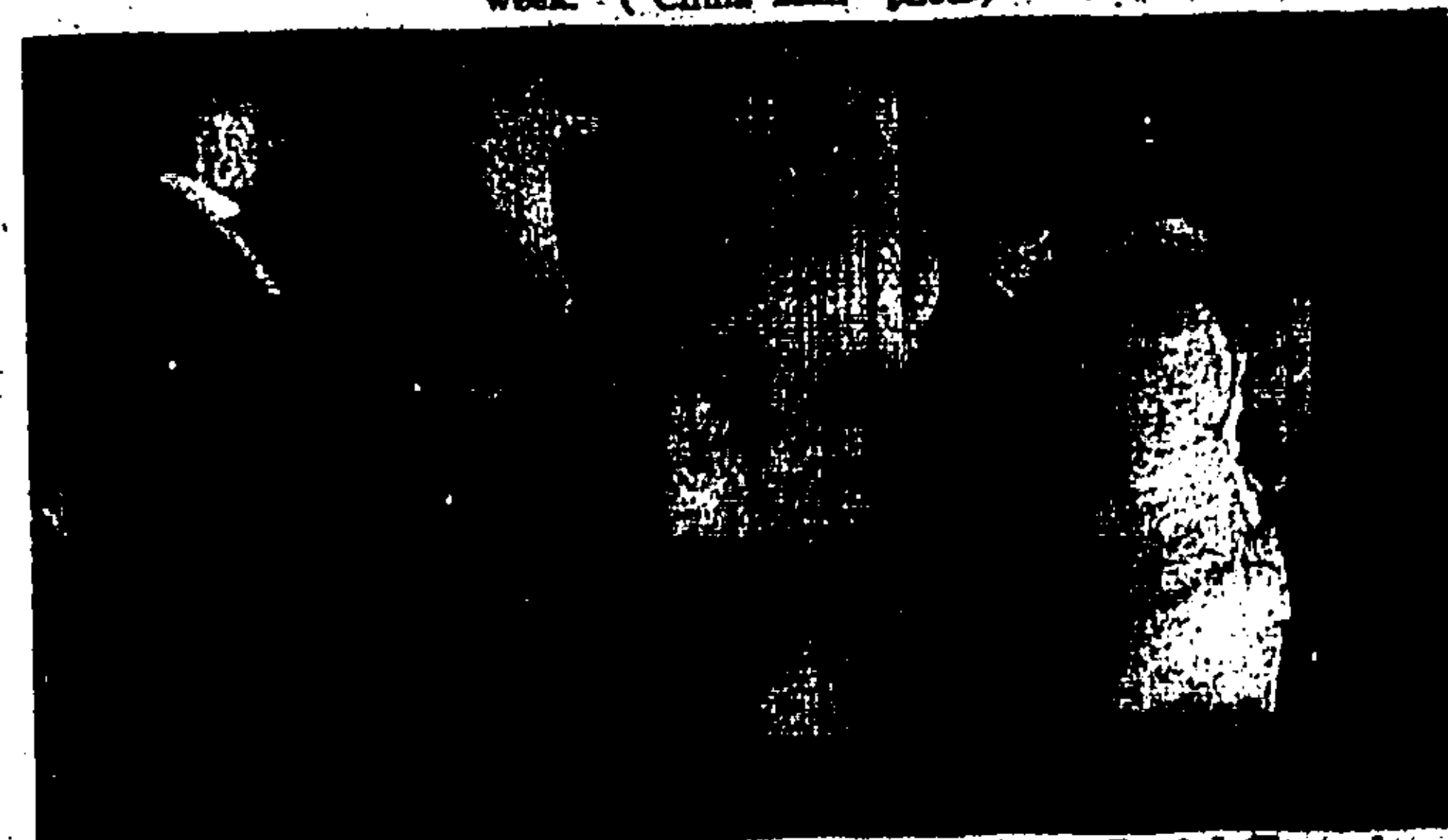




Miss A. F. Tomlin received the Insignia of the Royal Red Cross Second Class from the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, at a presentation of awards at Government House last week. ("China Mail" photo)

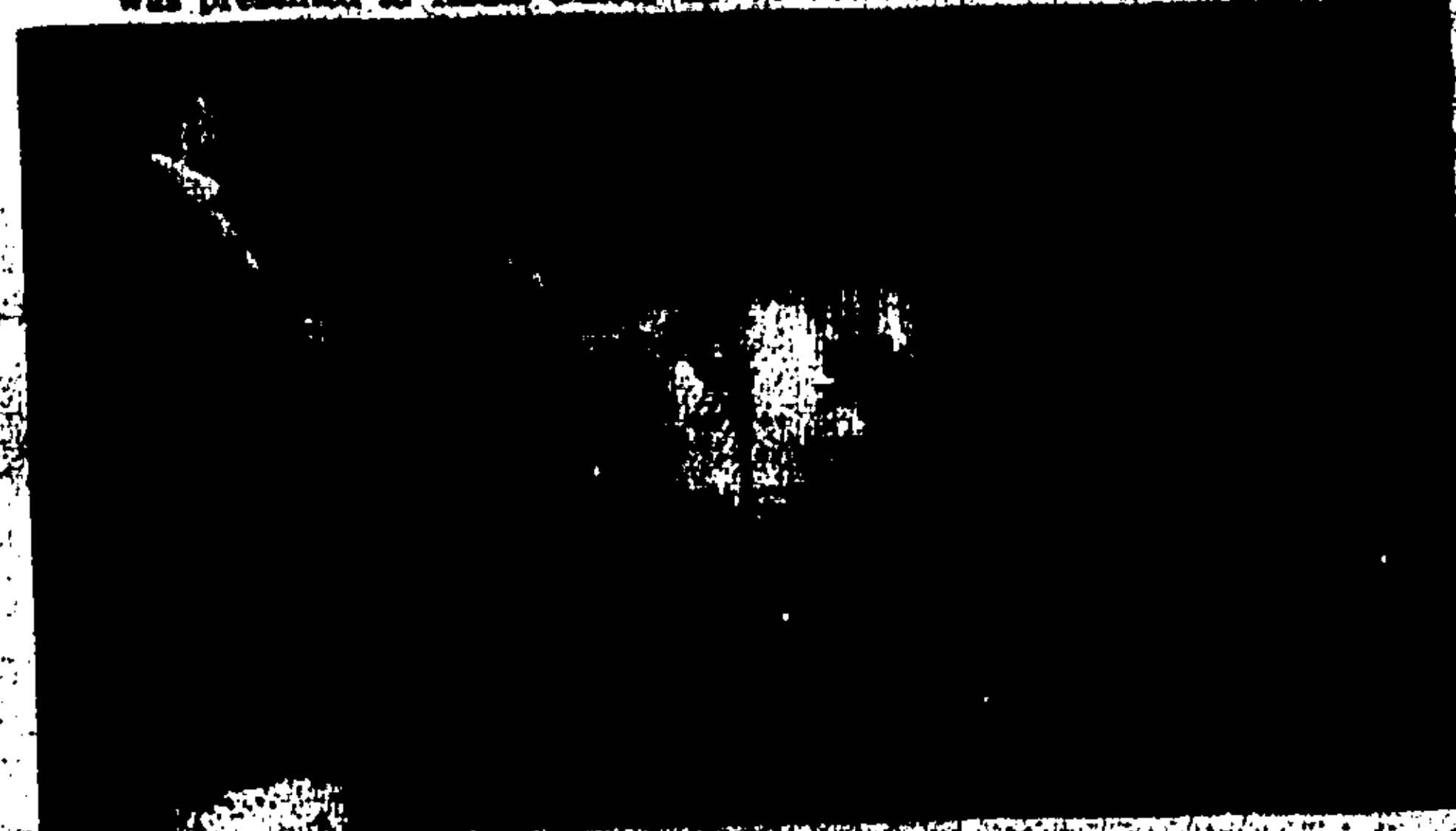


The eight Chinese who assisted Allied internees and prisoners-of-war to escape from Hong Kong to Free China during the war years. They were awarded Certificates of Merit at Government House last week. ("China Mail" photo)



Mrs. Barbara Hall received the Royal Red Cross Second Class at the presentation of awards at Government House last week. ("China Mail" photo)

The King's Commendation (Civil) for Valuable Services in the Air was presented to Radio Officer G. W. Casson. ("China Mail" photo)



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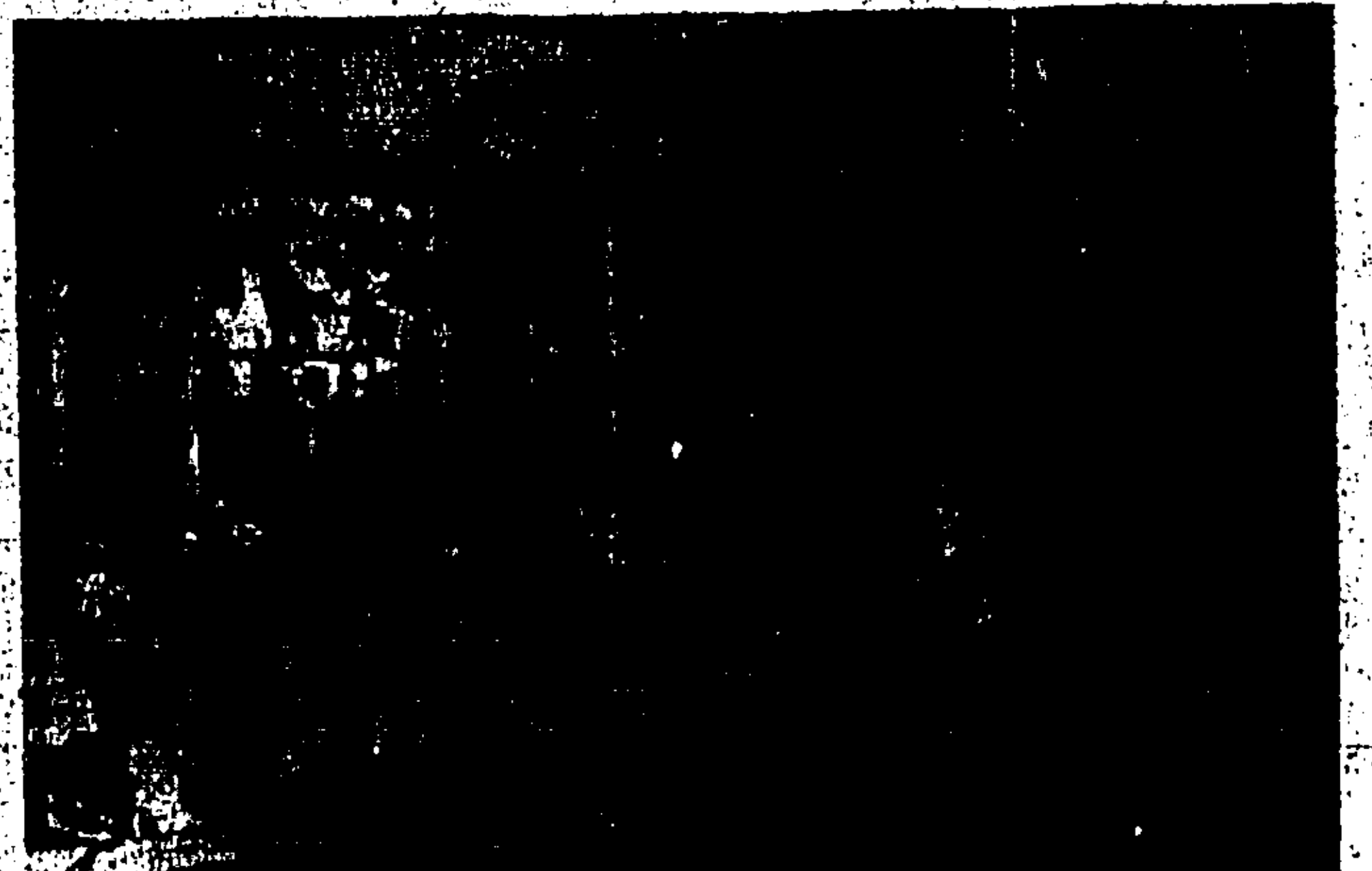
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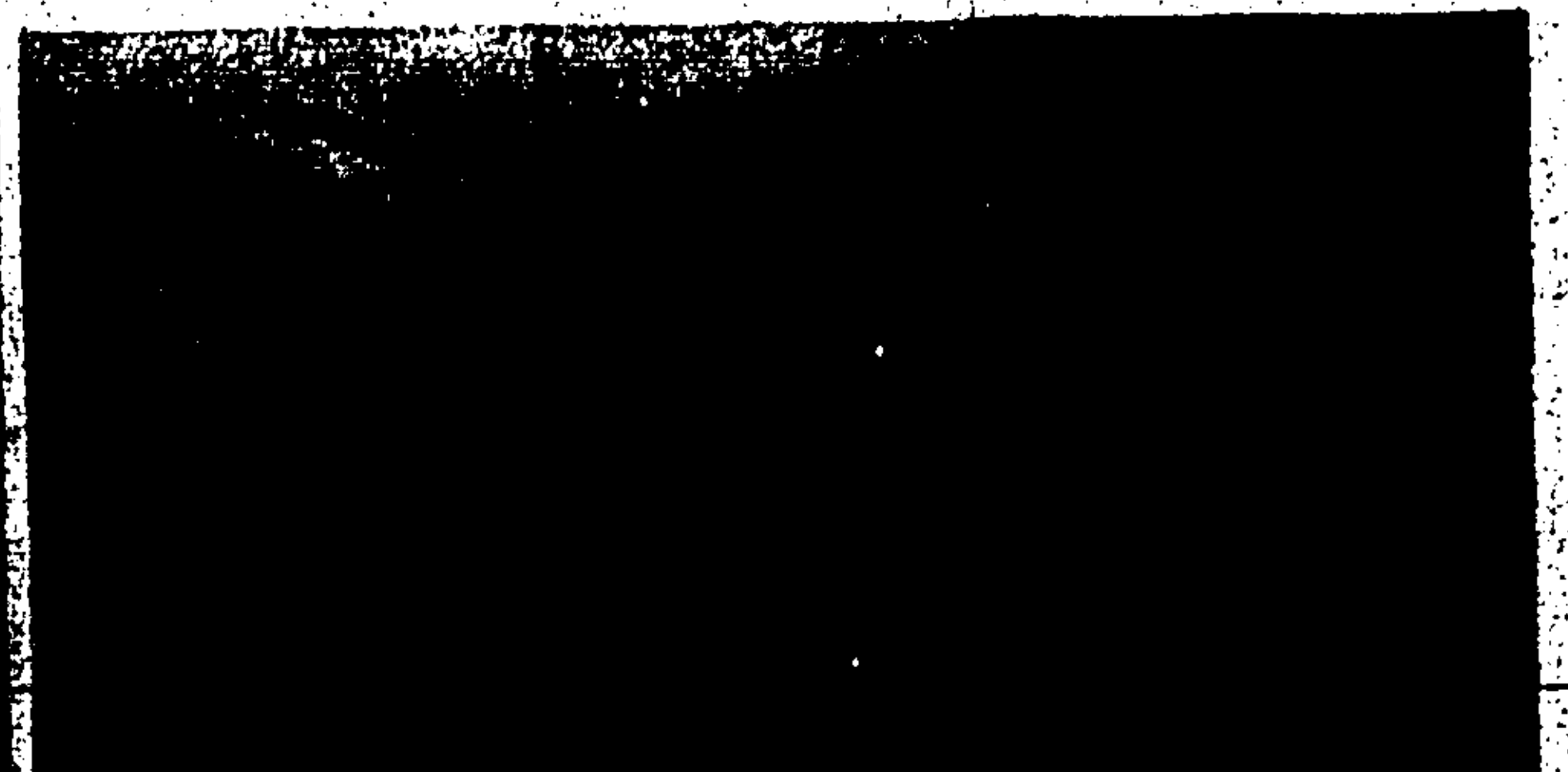
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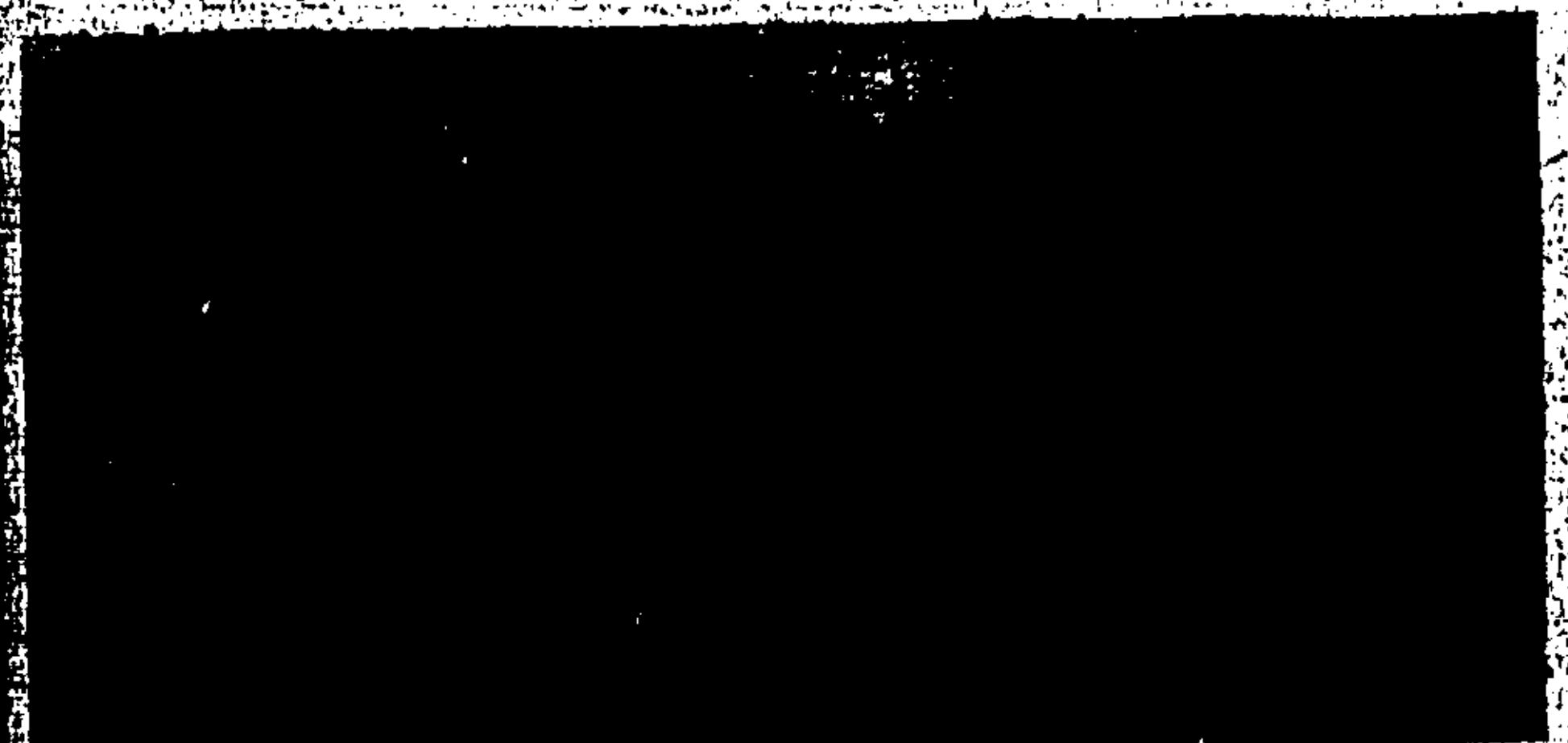
Mr. F. J. Nicoll, new Colonial Secretary, and the Governor and Lady Grantham were among the spectators at the Chung Shing Bathing Club who watched the annual Dragon Boat Race. ("China Mail" photo)



Sir Alexander Grantham, Governor of Hong Kong, leans over the railings to present the prize to the winning Dragon Boat at the annual race at Kennedy Town last month. ("China Mail" photo)



Winner of the annual Dragon Boat Race at Kennedy Town won by nearly 2 lengths to receive the first prize from the Governor. ("China Mail" photo)



Two dragon boats race towards the finish line at the annual race at Kennedy Town. ("China Mail" photo)

The 400th anniversary of St. Francis Xavier's landing in Japan was commemorated at the Portuguese Institute in Hong Kong last week. The Reverend Fr. Cronin addressed the Institute's sponsored public meeting. ("China Mail" photo)

A cocktail party was held last week at the Jacobean Room, Hong Kong Hotel, to enable the Press to meet Mr. J. F. Nicoll, new Colonial Secretary (extreme left). On his left is Mr. Ma Ting-hung, Director of the local edition of "Ta Kung Pao" and on the extreme right is the Government Public Relations Officer, Mr. W. Gordon Harmon. ("China Mail" photo)



Staff members of the Accounts Section of the Government Stores Department. ("Ming Yuen" Studio)



Morrison Hall won the Hong Kong University Inter-Hostel Soccer Championship recently. Here are the members of the winning team. ("Ming Yuen" Studio)



A group photograph of the Medical Faculty of the Hong Kong University. ("Ming Yuen" Studio)

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URBAN COUNCIL'S REPORT

Three applications for licences for a roast meat shop, a food shop and a food factory were refused by the Urban Council at its meeting yesterday.

The May report of the Council states that the appearance of the main beach at Repulse Bay is being improved considerably by the removal of the remnants of pre-war RCC bathing sheds by prison labour.

Work is continuing and soon it will be possible for the Gardens and Forestry Departments to plant flowering shrubs and trees. The extra space now available on the beach allows of the erection of additional tents on Sundays and holidays when the demand for tents is considerable.

Raft Damaged

Unfortunately, during a recent storm considerable damage was done to rafts at Repulse Bay and Shek O, and sand to a depth of two feet was washed away in a single day from one portion of the main beach at Repulse Bay. Thirteen members of beach staff (boatmen and beach coolies) have been qualified for the life saving certificate of the Royal Humane Society.

During the month 286 licences were renewed. Ten applications for new licences were refused and 32 licences were issued. The work of sweeper clearance continued in Kowloon, more than 400 huts were demolished involving the moving of between 1,000 and 2,000 persons. Deserving cases, recommended by the Social Welfare Officer, were offered sites in approved sanitary areas, but the majority moved into the area next due for clearance. Clearance operations are continuing in Kowloon.

The guest speaker at the meeting of the T.C. tonight will be Mr. D. W. MacIntosh, and the subject of his address will be "Juvenile Delinquency". The T.C. meets at Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, at 8.30 p.m., and all interested, including women, are invited to the meeting this evening.

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1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—Orchestral Selections from Grand Opera.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.
6.01 p.m.—The Richard Tauber Programme with the Melochino Orchestra. Guest: Olga Gwynne. (BBC7S)
6.30 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.
6.40 p.m.—The Terry Lucie Trio. (Studio).
7.00 p.m.—"Record Round About" Variety Request Programme presented by Jean Halliday. (Studio)
8.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)
8.15 p.m.—"Much Binding in the Marsh." (BBC7S)
8.45 p.m.—"Generally Speaking" "Lecture and the Englishman" A Talk by Balander De McQuarrie. (London Relay)
9.00 p.m.—From the Editorials. (London Relay)
9.10 p.m.—The British Concert Hall. London Symphony Orchestra. (BBC7S)
10.15 p.m.—Songs from Cole Porter Musical "Kiss Me Kate."
10.35 p.m.—"Les Sylphides" Ballet. London Philharmonic Orchestra.
10.55 p.m.—"Dance to Music from Hollywood."
11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel. (London Relay)
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Summary of News from China.
11.20 p.m.—Close Down.

Question On Reparations

A question on the possible effect on Hong Kong as a result of the recent American announcement regarding the stopping of the removal of industrial plants from Japan will be asked by Sir Man-kam Lo at today's Legislative Council meeting.

The question is: "Will Government make a statement in regard to reparations payable to the Colony by Japan pointing out the extent, if any, to which the Colony's position is or may be affected by the recent American announcement as to stoppage of removal of industrial plants from Japan towards Japanese reparations?"

Correspondence

(Continued from Page 2)

A little later I was advised that as many of the crew as could be spared were invited to come on shore to see the town and the May Day celebrations. And not, as was asserted in your article, a few sailors only.

Two unarmed youths accompanied the party to act as guides and show us the town, also to explain as away, and we were not, in my opinion, deliberately conducted to any propaganda shows. On the contrary, one of the youths was anxious to show us the places of interest including a large Buddhist temple, to which we went.

The only show we saw was a street show which took up the width of the road, and traffic was therefore unable to pass. It may have been propaganda, but I and many others did not understand a word of it.

The following day I was visited by the Director who said he was glad to inform me that the personnel were allowed to go ashore at any time, that the Chinese members were not required to have an escort, but it was considered advisable for others who in case of becoming involved in an incident would, owing to the language difficulty, be in a bad position. On an occasion when I went to visit another ship the crew refused me entrance to the dock, and when I reported this an order was sent to allow me to pass.

With regard to the statement that some sailors who attempted to speak to some natives were snubbed, I have to say that they are Malays, and none of them speaks Chinese.

The officials with whom I dealt were courteous and helpful, and the police and soldiers on duty by the ship always replied to a cheerful nod and were as friendly as the language limitations allowed.

As regards there being nothing in the shops, two into which I entered appeared to be as well stocked as could be expected, and I consulted with two local made-up pullovers which I purchased were reasonably priced at the equivalent of HK\$7 for two.

Regarding the alleged statement by an aged sailor, the oldest is forty. It appears to me that an amount of emphasis has been placed on the sailors' throughout the article in question.

The caption "Reds give in" appears rather startling as they needn't have done a thing about it but say "Stay on board" and prevented anyone from landing.

I am not concerned with their ideology, but I believe in giving credit where it is due, and speak of people as I find them.

WM. BORROWS.

Master.

VISITS TO YUNG HWA STUDIOS

The "Hong Kong Film News" visits to Yung Hwa Studios in Kowloon, are proving very popular. Several parties have already inspected the studios.

Readers of "Film News" who wish to visit the studios should address their letters to the Assistant General Manager, Yung Hwa Studios, Kowloon Tong. He will arrange a date and time for the visits.

Passes will be sent to the leaders of the parties giving the date and time for each visit. These passes should be produced at the gate.

All letters should be marked "Hong Kong Film News" Visits.

More Troops Arrive

(Continued from Page 1)

There are two boxing champions — Corporal Mohammed, welter-weight champ of Malay Services, 1949, and AC I Abdul Rahman, flyweight champ of Malay Services, 1949.

Cpl. Mohammed has fought 10 featured battles in two years and won all his fights by a "K.O."

In track events, L. A. C. Mohammed is champ in the "220" and "100" of Air Command, F.M. Enst.

Boxer Rahman is also a crack athlete and excels in the "440" and "100" of Air Command, F.M. Enst. The 91 Squadron airmen can be identified by their dull blue beret and green khaki battle dress.

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POST OFFICE MAIL NOTICE

GENERAL HOLIDAY

On Thursday, June 9, 1949, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will open from 8 a.m. to Noon. The other Branch Post Offices will open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. There will be one delivery of Registered and Ordinary Correspondence and one collection only from pillar boxes at 10 a.m. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Outward Mails

OUTWARD MAIL TO UNITED KINGDOM

A surface mail to United Kingdom per RMS "Corfu" will be closed as follows: GPO (Parcels) 5 p.m. June 8 (Reg.) 9 a.m. June 9, (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. June 9.

Kowloon GPO (Parcels) 5 p.m. June 8, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m. June 9, (Ord.) 9 a.m. June 9.

This mail is expected to arrive at London on or about July 12, 1949.

AIR MAIL TO UNITED KINGDOM It is hereby notified that commencing on Monday, June 6, 1949 and until further notice, the outward Air Mail to United Kingdom will be closed on Mondays and Thursdays. GPO Kowloon 4.30 p.m., and GPO Hong Kong 5 p.m. (Registered mail half an hour earlier). (Holidays excepted).

AIR MAIL TO SINGAPORE Commencing from Monday, June 6, 1949 and until further notice, the outward Air Mail to Singapore will be closed as follows: Mondays and Thursdays GPO Hong Kong (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m. GPO Kowloon (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.

Sundays GPO Hong Kong (Reg.) 5 p.m. (Saturday), (Ord.) 10 a.m. (Sunday). GPO Kowloon (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Saturday), (Ord.) 10 a.m. (Sunday). (Holidays excepted).

It is hereby notified that mail to Shanghai and North China cannot be accepted until further notice.

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Post close 10 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mails close before 12 a.m., Registered and Parcel Post close at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO closing times.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

Closing Times by Air Canton, Kowloon GPO 7.10 a.m. 10.30 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2.30 p.m.; (GPO) 7 a.m., 10 a.m., Noon, 2 p.m. Air Mail for Swatow, Amoy and Foochow, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 8 a.m. Air Mail for Okinawa and Japan, (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m. Air Mail for Manila, (Reg.) Noon, (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.

Airmail for Hanoi, (Reg.) 3.30 p.m. (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m. Airmail for Swatow and Amoy; Airmail for Chungking, (Reg.) 5 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.

Airmail for Saigon and Paris, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea Hanoi, Pakhoi via Hanoi and Rangoon, 10 a.m. Manila, Noon.

ROYAL INTEROCEAN LINES

JAVAPORTS and MAGASSAR

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"TITTALENGKA" 18th June In port
 "TITASADANE" 23rd June 24th June
 "TASMAN"

SHANGHAI

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"TIBADAT" 10th June 8th June
 "TIBADANE"

SINGAPORE, PENANG and BELAWAN DELI

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"VAN HEUTSZ" 11th June 20th June
 "VAN RIEMSDIJK" 20th June

AMOY and SWATOW

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"VAN HEUTSZ" 10th June
 "TIBADAT"

EAST & SOUTH AFRICA & SOUTH AMERICA

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"TEGELBERG" 26th June 10th June
 "TIKAMPEK" 18th July
 "TIKAMPEK" 10th Aug.
 "TIKAMPEK" 7th Sept.

Calling at Mombasa & L. Marques Direct.
 Transshipment cargo accepted on through B/L to
 Dar-Es-Salaam and Zanzibar.
 * no passenger accommodation.

JAPAN

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"TEGELBERG" 12th June 24th June
 "TIKAMPEK"

Agents: HOLLAND—EAST ASIA LINE

EUROPE via MANILA and MALAYA

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"MEERKERK" Early July In port
 "TIKAMPEK" End July Early July
 "TIKAMPEK" End Aug. Early Aug.
 "TIKAMPEK" End Sept. Early Sept.

Transshipment cargo accepted on through B/L to India,
 Mediterranean and Northern European ports.

SHANGHAI and JAPAN

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"MEERKERK" 12th June Early July
 "TIKAMPEK"

KING'S BUILDING: TELS: 28015 to 28017
 CHINESE AGENTS: 82, CONNAUGHT RD. C. TELS: 31196-25133

THE EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD.

OF COPENHAGEN

M.S. "KOREA"

LOADING ABOUT 23rd June

for

ADEN, PORT SAID, GENOA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, OSLO, GOTHENBURG AND COPENHAGEN.

also, possibly, COLOMBO.

Tanks available for the carriage of oil in bulk.

S.S. "TAHSIS"

LOADING ABOUT 12th JUNE

for

VANCOUVER-B. C. via KAMAISHI (Japan)

THE EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD.

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DE LA RAMA LINES

ARRIVING FROM U.S. ATLANTIC COAST VIA LOS ANGELES & SAN FRANCISCO

m.v. "DONA ANICETA" 27th June
 m.v. "BENGAL" 10th July

SAILING FOR U.S. ATLANTIC COAST VIA SAN FRANCISCO & LOS ANGELES

m.v. "DONA AURORA" (calls Japan) 18th June
 m.v. "DONA NATI" 22nd June

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MARINA HOUSE CHINESE SHIPPING OFFICE

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Peninsular & Oriental

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY S.S. "SHILLONG"

Loading June 10th/11th

for

Straits, Colombo, Rangoon, Port Said, Genoa, Marseilles, London & Continental Ports.

MACKINNON MACKENZIE & CO.

AGENTS

FINANCE AND COMMERCE

GOLD SHARES BOOM REACHES NEW HIGH

N.Y. Stock Exchange

New York, June 7. The stock market turned steadily in the last half hour of trading on Monday after plunging to a two-year low. Despite the late buying support, though, the market took one of the worst tumbles of the year. Final prices were down fractions to two points or more. Transfers totaled 1,380,000 shares.

Lack of clear-cut signs that the present recession in business may soon turn its course was a factor in the wave of selling. Among the losers were Douglas Aircraft, American Woolen, Nickel Plate, Twentieth Century Fox, Philip Morris, Santa Fe, Western Oil and Consolidated and Edison.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 59.12; Industrials 105.15; Rails 42.58; Utilities 34.51.

Closing quotations: Adams Express: 127 1/2; Alaska Juneau: 3 1/2; American Can: 89 1/2; American Smelting: 40 1/2; American Telephone: 140 1/2; American Tobacco: 66; American Waterworks: 7 1/2; American Copper: 25 1/2; Aviation Corporation: 6 1/2; Baldwin Locomotive: 9 1/2; Bannockburn: 40 1/2; Bendis Aviation: 2 1/2; Bethlehem Steel: 25; Boeing Aircraft: 18 1/2; Borden Company: 41 1/2; Canadian Pacific: 31 1/2; C. I. Corp: 31; Chrysler: 46; Colgate: 33 1/2; Commercial Software: 14 1/2; Corn Products: 6 1/2; Du Pont: 181; Eastman Kodak: 40 1/2; Electric Light and Power: 25 1/2; General Electric: 55; General Motors: 64 1/2; Goodrich: 63; Goodyear: 38 1/2; Harnischfong: 39 1/2; International Harvester: 23 1/2; International Tel. and Tel.: 43 1/2; Johns-Manville: 31; Kennecott Copper: 40 1/2; Montgomery Ward: 48 1/2; National Distillers: 17 1/2; National Lead: 28; New York Central: 10 1/2; Packard Motor: 3 1/2; Pan-American Airways: 8 1/2; Pennsylvania RR: 14 1/2; Radio Corporation: 10 1/2; Real Salt: 11; Remington-Rand: 8 1/2; Republic Steel: 18 1/2; Reynolds Tobacco: 25 1/2; Sears Roebuck: 35 1/2; Shell Oil: 21 1/2; Socoy Vacuum: 14 1/2; Southern Pacific: 35 1/2; Standard Brands: 18 1/2; Standard of California: 67 1/2; Standard of N.J.: 62 1/2; Studebaker: 18 1/2; Union Bag: 21 1/2; Union Carbide: 34 1/2; US Rubber: 35 1/2; US Steel: 26 1/2; US Lines: 18 1/2; Yonkersville Steel and Tube: 68 1/2; General Public Utilities: 12 1/2.

Associated Press.

Johannesburg, June 6. The gold share buying boom touched off by the recent rich find at Erfdele reached to a peak when the market opened this morning. Telephone calls from Britain, the United States and Europe, as well as from the remotest South African villages, came into brokers' offices.

During the week-end, a London source bought a bloc of shares in the holding company, the Union Free State Goldfields, for £250,000. Mr. Joseph Milne, head of the group of companies controlling Erfdele, disclosed today. The Free State gold areas, on whose property Erfdele is situated, open at 47/6 this morning and rose quickly to 50/-. Other favourites rose rapidly but the public is buying indiscriminately almost any Free State shares. Fashionably dressed women from wealthy Johannesburg homes mingled with clerks, typists, Portuguese gardeners, and truck drivers in the throng running in and out of brokers' offices. The corridors of the Stock Exchange and brokers' offices were jammed with shouting and screaming throngs, determined to get their money into gold shares.

The Johannesburg evening paper, "Afrikaner Veld," of which the Finance Minister, Mr. N. C. Havenga, is chairman, said today that the Erfdele borehole has shown that the area will be the Union's richest source of uranium as well as of gold. The newspaper said that the information is from a reliable source and that Government experts are on the spot conducting tests and investigations with the most modern American equipment.

The paper said that it has been known for a long time that most gold mines on the Rand contain some uranium and that this resulted in the Government legislation last year for uranium control.

A Collapse

An official denied, spiking rumours of a second fabulous gold strike early today, caused a collapse of gold shares from 51/6 to 27/6, and dealers later recovered to 32/6.

A wave of wild buying followed reports that a strike, even richer than last week's Erfdele strike had been made on nearby Dankbaarheid Farm, showing a yield of 64,000 inch pennyweights, as compared with the yield of 50,105 inch pennyweights officially confirmed at Erfdele.

Reports of the find were denied by the Anglo-American Corporation of South Africa, which is doing the drilling. The latest information from the borehole on Dankbaarheid Farm that it has reached a depth of 5,847 feet, and is being continued towards a reef estimated to be about 500 feet lower down. One reef is intersected at 5,787 feet, the company announced, said, giving a yield of 4,64 pennyweights over a true width of 23.5

P. & O. S. N. CO.

R.M.S. "CORFU"

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS

SAILS: Thursday, 9th June, at Noan for the United Kingdom via Straits, Colombo, Bombay, Aden, and Port Said.

BAGGAGE: ALL passengers baggage must be sent to the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf Company's Godown, at No. 2 Gate, Canton Road Entrance, by Noon on Wednesday, the 8th June.

NOTE: With the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves, ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Company's Godown, for loading on board by ship's alings only.

EMBARKATION: Will take place between 9.30 a.m. and 11.15 a.m. on Thursday, the 9th June, 1949.

MACKINNON MACKENZIE & CO.,

Agents

(Tel: 27721-4)

H.K. Stock Exchange

The holiday feeling has not entirely worn off and with a further break just ahead, not much interest in the Market can be expected this week. Yesterday the turnover was small and prices quite irregular.

H.K. GOVT. LOANS:
 4% Loan 100 1/2;
 5% Loan (1934 & 1940) 101;
 5% Loan (1940-1945) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (1945-1950) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (1950-1955) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (1955-1960) 101 1/2;
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 5% Loan (1995-2000) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2000-2005) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2005-2010) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2010-2015) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2015-2020) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2020-2025) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2025-2030) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2030-2035) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2035-2040) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2040-2045) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2045-2050) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2050-2055) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2055-2060) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2060-2065) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2065-2070) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2070-2075) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2075-2080) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2080-2085) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2085-2090) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2090-2095) 101 1/2;
 5% Loan (2095-2100) 101 1/2;

H.K. & S. Bank 103 1/2;
 (Lon. Sec.) 29 1/2;
 Chartered Bank 210 1/2;
 Mercantile Bank A. & B. 224 1/2;
 Bank of East Asia 115;
 INSURANCE:
 Canton Ins. 425, 435;
 Union Ins. 600, 605;
 China Underwriters 5, 5.00;
 H.K. Fire Ins. 230, 235;
 SHIPPING:
 Douglas 23 1/2;
 H.K. & M. Steamships 17 1/2;
 Indo China (Ref.) 30;
 (Ref.) 23 1/2;
 Shell (Ref.) 11 1/2;
 Union Waterboats 30 1/2;
 A.M. Nav. 35;
 DOKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.:
 H.K. & K. Wharves 12 1/2;
 North Point Wharves 7 1/2;
 Shanghai Hongkong Wharves 18;
 H.K. Dock 24 1/2;
 China Provident 12 1/2, 13 1/2, 13 1/2;
 Shanghai Dockyards 10 1/2, 11;
 Wheelocks 32;
 MINING:
 Rand Mines 4 1/2;
 H.K. Mines 10 1/2;
 LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS:
 H. & S. Hotels 12 1/2;
 H.K. Lands 48 1/2, 51 1/2, 51 1/2;
 Shanghai Land 25, 30, 31 1/2;
 Humphreys 11 1/2;
 H.K. Realities 7 1/2;
 Chinese Estates 15;
 PUBLIC UTILITIES:
 H.K. Tramways 10 1/2, 11 1/2, 12 1/2, 13 1/2;
 Peak Tram (Old) 10;
 (New) 10 1/2;
 Star Ferry 17 1/2;
 C. Lights (Old) 12 1/2, 13 1/2, 13 1/2;
 (New) 9 1/2, 9 1/2, 9 1/2;
 H.K. Electric 34, 34 1/2;
 Marine Electric 24 1/2;
 Sandakan Light 2 1/2;
 Telephone 2 1/2;
 Shanghai Gas 4 1/2;
 INDUSTRIALS:
 H.K. Mac. (Old) X.D. 25 1/2;
 Canton Ice 7 1/2;
 Cement 2 1/2;
 H.K. Rope 12 1/2, 13 1/2;
 STORES, ETC.:
 Dairy Farms 35, 36 1/2;
 Watsons 45, 45 1/2, 45 1/2;
 L. Crawford (Old) 23;
 (New) 23 1/2;
 Sincere 30;
 China Emporium 26;
 Sun Co. Ltd. 24 1/2;
 Kwong Sang Hong 13 1/2;
 Wing On 11 1/2;
 Wm. Powell, Ltd. 9 1/2;
 MISCELLANEOUS:
 China Entertainment X. B. 10;
 H.K. Constellation (Old) 4;
 (New) 4 1/2;
 Vibro Piling 10;
 Marmara Investments 9 1/2;
 Marmara (H.K.) 2;
 Shanghai Loan 2 1/2;
 Yangtze 30;
 COTTONS:
 Ewo 8;
 RUBBER, ETC., COMPANIES:
 Alma Estates 4 1/2;
 Bait Anama 22 1/2;
 Bute Plantations 10;
 Chemore United 30;
 Cheng Rubber 25;
 Consolidated Rubber 10;
 Dominion Rubber 10;
 Padang Rubber 25;
 Repel Rubber 15;
 Rubber Tyres 2;
 Sanyang Rubber 70;
 Semambu Rubber 30;
 Shanghai Rubber 10;
 Shanghai Rubber 10;
 Shanghai Rubber 10;
 Sunco Dura 12;
 Tach Rubber 30;
 Tach Rubber 30;
 Ziang Rubber 10;

Money Market

US dollars opened firmer yesterday at HK\$10.10, but in the afternoon the rate weakened to 65.95. At the close it was \$5.90. TT opened at HK\$5.08 and closed at \$5.93.

Steeling dropped to HK\$10.50 after opening at \$10.90. Australian pounds opened at HK\$14 and closed 10 cents down.

Plasters had a marketless day and were quoted at HK\$11.70 a 100 nominal.

Ticals were unchanged at HK\$27 a 100.

NEI outsiders were firmer at HK\$30.50 a 100.

NY COTTON

New York, June 7. Cotton futures were easy on scattered liquidation and hedging. Closed 10 to 25 cents a bale lower.

July 32.24,
 October 28.83-84,
 December 28.04,
 March 28.54 nominal,
 May 28.37 nominal,
 July 27.04 nominal,
 Middling Spot 33.20 nominal.
 Associated Press.

NY EXCHANGES

New York, June 7. Closing foreign exchange:
 Britain 4.82 7/8;
 Canada 45.61 cents;
 France 30 7/10 cents;
 Italy June fixed rate, 0.001739;
 Sweden 27.85;
 Switzerland 25.30;
 Argentina 20.92;
 Brazil 5.50;
 Mexico 12.16.—Associated Press.

LONDON STOCK MARKET CLOSED

The stock market here was closed on Monday in observance of Whit Monday.—Associated Press.

NOTICE TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Shanghai Cargo Ex

BEN LINE STEAMSHIPS LTD.

S.S. "BENARTY"

Owing to existing unsettled conditions at Shanghai, the Far Eastern Freight Conference has decided to discharge Shanghai cargoes in Hong Kong, and that delivery in Hong Kong to be considered as final.

The parties concerned are hereby notified that the Shanghai cargo, ex the above vessel has been discharged into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.'s godown, whence delivery may be obtained against surrender of the original Bills of Lading duly endorsed.

The Shanghai cargo is stored at the sole risk and expense of the Consignees.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

W. R. LOXLEY & CO. (CHINA) LTD., Agents.

Hong Kong, May 28, 1949.

Notice To Consignees

Consignees For

STATES STEAMSHIP COMPANY

S.S. "CHARLES E DANT"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.'s godown where it will be at Consignees risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the godowns for examination by Consignees and Company's Surveyors. Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke at 10 a.m. on the 8th June.

To comply with General Bonded Warehouse Regulations Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 10th June 1949 will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 17th June 1949 or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance will be effected.

DODWELL & CO. LTD.

Hong Kong, June 4, 1949.

AMERICAN PRESIDENT LINES

The Global Fleet

TO HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"President Wilson" (via Manila & Japan) June 13
 "President Cleveland" June 24
 "President Madison" June 8
 "President Pierce" June 30

TO SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES via JAPAN

TO NEW YORK, BALTIMORE & BOSTON via PANAMA

"President Johnson" (Direct to Pacific Coast) June 12
 "President Harrison" (Direct to Pacific Coast) July 12

ROUND-THE WORLD

VIA MANILA, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, KARACHI, SUEZ
 PORT SAID, ALEXANDRIA, NAPLES, MARSILLES,
 GENOA, NEW YORK and BOSTON

"President Folk" June 15
 "Mount Davis" June 28

TO N.E.I. & SINGAPORE

"President Fillmore" July 8
 Opposite Star Ferry. Tel. 28172/A.

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and Far Eastern Ports

NEW FAST CARGO SHIPS

ARRIVALS FROM ATLANTIC

"PIONEER WAVE" June 11
 "PIONEER LAKE" June 24
 "PIONEER SEA" July 14

SAILINGS TO MANILA

"PIONEER WAVE" June 11
 "PIONEER LAKE" June 25
 "PIONEER SEA" July 15

SAILINGS TO

NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, PHILADELPHIA
 via SHANGHAI, JAPAN & PANAMA CANAL

"PIONEER LAND" Arrives June 13 Sails June 15
 "PIONEER WAVE" June 27 June 29
 "PIONEER LAKE" July 10 July 18
 "PIONEER SEA" Aug. 2 Aug. 4

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The above list indicates the principal ports of loading and discharge as presently intended, but not their relation. For further information see schedule at the Company's Office.

BEN LINE

ARRIVALS

SHIP FROM DUE

"BENARTY" U.K. via Singapore In Port
 "BENVENUE" do Abt. 14th June
 "BENLOMOND" do End half June
 "BENVRACKIE" do End June
 "BENORRICH" do Abt. 2nd July
 "BENDORAN" do (direct) Abt. mid July
 "BENROCH" do 2nd half July
 "BENVOELICH" do End July

SAILINGS

SHIP TO LOADING

"BENVENUE" London, Antwerp, Abt. 17th June
 "BENLAVERS" Rotterdam, Hamburg, Abt. 5th July
 "BENVOELICH" do End July
 "BENROCH" do End half August
 "BENARTY" Liverpool, Glasgow, Abt. 28th June
 "BENVRACKIE" Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Abt. 16th July
 "BENDORAN" do 2nd half August
 "BENLOMOND" Genoa, London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, do

via Malaya, Colombo, Aden,

